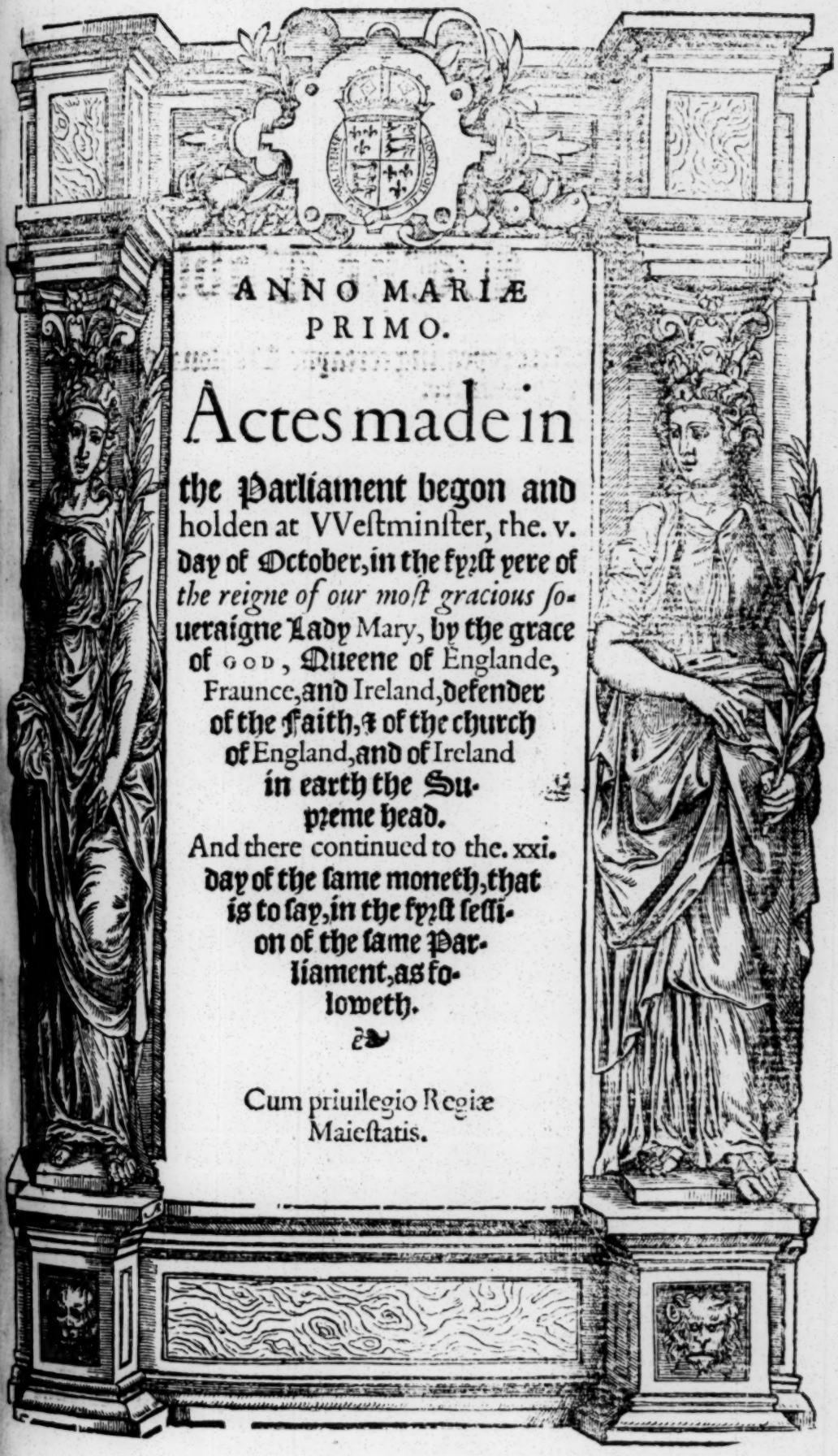

ANNO MARIÆ PRIMO.

Actes made in the Parliament begon and holden at VVestminster, the. v. day of October, in the fyrst yere of *the reigne of our most gracious so-* ueraigne Lady Mary, by the grace of GOD, Queene of Englande, Fraunce, and Ireland, defender of the Faith, & of the church of England, and of Ireland in earth the Supreme head.

And there continued to the. xxi. day of the same moneth, that is to say, in the fyrst session of the same Parliament, as followeth.

Cum priuilegio Regiæ Maiestatis.

An Acte repealing certayne Treasons, *Felonies, and Priminire.*

¶The first Chapter.

Forasmuche as the state of euery King, Ruler, and gouernour of any Realme, Dominion, or Cominaltie standeth, and consisteth more assured by the loue and fauour of the Subiect towarde their Soueraigne Ruler, and Gouernour, then in the dread and feare of lawes made with rigorous paynes, and extreame punishement for not obeing of their Soueraigne Ruler, and Gouernour: And lawes also iustly made for the preseruation of the Common weale without extreame punishment, or great penaltie, are more often for the moste parte obeyed and kepte, then lawes and Satutes made with great and extreme punishementes. And in speciall suche lawes and Statutes so made, wherby not onely the ignorannt and rude vnlearned people, but also learned and expert people, minding honestie, are often, and many times trapped, and snared, yea, many times for wordes onely, without other fact or dede done or perpetrated.

THE Queenes moste excellent Maiestie, calling to remembraunce that many aswel honorable and noble persons, as other of good reputation within this her graces realme of Englande, haue of late, (for wordes onely without other opinion, facte, or dede) suffred shamefull death, not accustomed to nobles. Her highnes therfore of her accustomed clemencie, and mercy, minding to auoyde and put away the occasion, and cause of like chaunces hereafter to ensue, trusting her louing Subiectes, will for her clemencie to them shewed, loue, serue, and obey her grace the more hartely, and faythfully, then for dread or feare of paynes of bodye: is contented and pleased that the seueritie of suche like extreme, daungerous, and paynefull lawes, shall be abolished, annulled, and made frustrate, and voyde.

BE IT therfore ordeyned, & enacted, by the Quene our soueraigne Lady, with thassent of the Lordes spiritual and temporal, and of the commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by thauctoritie of the same: that from henceforth none acte, dede, or offence, beyng by acte of Parliament or statute made treason, petite treason, or misprision of treason, by wordes, writing, ciphering dedes, or otherwise, whatsoeuer, shalbe taken, had, demed, or adiudged, to be high treason, petite

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treason,or misprision of treason, but only suche as be declared,and expressed to be treason, petite treason, or misprision of treason, in, or by thact of Parliament,or statute made in the. xxv. yere of the reigne of the most noble king,of famous memory,king Edward the thirde, touching or concerning treason,or the declarations of treasons,and none other,nor that any paynes of death,penaltie,or forfeyture in any wise, ensue,or be to any offendour or offendours for the doing or committing any treason,petite treason,or misprision of treason,other then such as be in the saide Estatute made in the saide.xxv.yere of the reigne of the saide king Edward the third, ordeyned and prouided, any act or actes of Parliament,statute or statutes,had or made at any time heretofore, or after the saide.xxv.yere of the raigne of the saide late king Edward the third,or any other declaration or matter to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Prouided alwayes,and be it ordeyned and enacted by thauctho'itie aforesaid,that this act of Parliament,or any thing therin mentioned shall not in any wise extende, to geue any maner of benefite, aduauntage,or cõmoditie to any person or persons, being the last day of September last past, arrested, or imprisoned for treason, petite treason, or misprision of treason,or to any person or persons, heretofore being indicted of treason,petite treason,or misprision of treason,or being outlawed or attaynted of treason,petite treason, or misprision of treason,before the saide last day of September last past,or being commaunded to kepe his or their house or houses, or other mens houses, or otherwise excepted out of the Quenes highnes most gracious pardon geuen the day of her coronation,but that they,& euery of them,for any of the offences before mentioned,perpetrated,committed, or done by them or any of them,before the saide last day of September,shal suffer such paines of death,losses,and forfaytures of landes & goodes,as in cases of treason,as though this act had neuer bene had ne made,any thing in this act to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And be it further ordeyned & enacted by thauctho'itie aforesaid,that al offences made felony,or limitted,or appointed to be within the case of prœmunire,by any act,or actes of parliamẽt,statute,or statutes,made sithens the first day of the first yere of the reigne of the late king of famous memory king Henry the eyght,not being felony before,nor within the case of prœmunire,& also al and euery braunch,article,and clause mentioned,or in any wise declared in any of the same Estatutes, concerning the making of any offence or offences to be felony, or within the case of prœmunire, not being felony, nor within the case of prœmunire before,and al paynes and forfeytures concerning the same,or any of them,shall from henceforth be repealed,and vtterly voyde,and of none effect.

FINIS.

ACTES

made in the seconde and last Session of this present Parliament, holden vpon prorogation at Westminster, the. xxiiii. day of October, in the first yere of the Reigne of our moost gracious soueraigne Lady Mary by the grace of God, Queene of Englande, Fraunce, and Ireland, defendour of the fayth, and in earth Supreme head of the Churche of Englande and of Irelande, and there continued and kept to the dissolution of the same, being the. vi. day of December then next ensuing, as followeth.

¶An Act declaring the Queenes highnes to haue bene borne in a moſt iuſt and lawful matrimonie, and alſo repealing al Actes of Parliament, and ſentences of diuors had and made to the contrary.

¶The firſt Chapter.

FOrasmuche as truth, (beyng of her owne nature of a moſt excellent vertue, efficacie, force, and working,) can not but by proceſſe of time breake out, and ſhewe her ſelfe, howſoeuer for a while ſhe may by thiniquitie and frailetie of man be ſuppreſſed and kept cloſe: And being reuealed and manifeſted, ought to be embraced, acknowledged, confeſſed and profeſſed in all caſes, and matters, whatſoeuer, and whomſoeuer they touche or concerne, without reſpect of perſons, but in ſuch caſes and matters ſpecially, as wherby the glory and honour of God, in heauen (who is the authour of truth, and truth it ſelfe) is to be ſpecially ſet forth, and whereby alſo the honoure, dignitie, ſuertie, and preſeruation of the Prince, and ruler vnder God in earth, dependeth, and the welfare, profite, and ſpeciall benefite of the vniuerſall people, and body of a Realme, is to be continued and mainteyned.

WE YOVR highneſſe moſt louing, faythfull, and obedient ſubiectes, vnderſtanding the very truth of the ſtate of matrimonie betweene the two mooſt excellent Princes of moſt worthy memorie, king Henry the eyght, and Quene Katherin, his louing, godly, and lawfull wife, your highnes lawfull father and mother, can not but thinke our ſelfe moſt bounden, both by our duetie of allegiaunce to your maieſtie, and of conſcience towardes GOD, to ſhewe vnto your highneſſe firſte howe that the ſame matrimonie, beyng contracted, ſolemniſed, and conſummated, by the agreement and aſſent of both their moſt noble parentes, by the counſel & aduiſe of the moſt wiſe and graueſt men of both their realmes, by the deliberate and mature conſideration and conſent of the beſt and moſt notable men in learning in thoſe dayes of Chriſtendome, did euen ſo continewe by the ſpace of. xx. yeres, and more betwene them, to the pleaſure of almightie God, and ſatisfaction of the world, the ioye and comfort of all the ſubiectes of this realme, & to their owne repoſe and good contentment, God geuing for a ſure token & teſtimonie of his good acceptation of the ſame, not only godlye fruite, your highneſſe moſt noble perſon (whom we beſeche the almightie and euerliuing God, long to proſper and preſerue here amongeſt vs) & other iſſue alſo, whom it hath pleaſed god to take out of this tranſitorie life, vnto his eternall glory, but alſo ſending vs a happier flori-

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AN Acte declaring the Quénes highnes to haue bene borne in a moſt iuſt and lawefull matrimonie, and alſo repealing all Actes of Parliament, and ſentences of diuorſe had and made to the contrary. Capit. i.

An Acte for the repeale of certayne Statutes made in the time of the reigne of king Edward the Sixte. Cap. ij.

An Acte agaynſt offendours of Preachers, and other Miniſters in the Church. Cap. iij.

An Acte touching writinges made from the firſt day of July laſt paſt, and before the firſt day of Auguſt then next enſuing. Cap. iiij.

An Acte for the limitation of preſcription in certayne caſes. Cap. v.

An Acte agaynſt counterfayting of ſtraunge Coynes being curraunt within this Realme, or of the Quenes highnes Signe manuel, Signet, or Priuie ſeale. Ca. vi

An Acte touching Proclamations vpon fines. Cap. vij.

An Act that Sheriffes ſhal not be Juſtices of peace during that office. Cap. viij.

An Acte touching thincorporation of the Phiſitions in London. Cap. ix.

An Acte for the vniting, diſſoluing, or newe erecting of Courtes. Cap. x.

An Acte for the ſale of hattes and cappes made beyond the Sea. Cap. xi.

An Acte agaynſt vnlawfull and rebellious aſſembles. Cap. xii.

An Acte for the continuaunce of certayne Statutes. Cap. xiij.

An Acte for the continuaunce of a Statute made for the reparation of gaoles. Ca. xiij.

An Acte for the reedifying of the parihe Church of S. Elens in Stangate, within the citie of Yorke. Cap. xv.

An Acte for the confirmation of thattayndour of John late Duke of Northumberlande, and others. Cap. xvi.

An Acte for the releaſe of the laſt Subſidie of the Temporaltie. Cap. xvij.

An Act of a Subſidie of Tonnage and Pondage of diuers marchaundiſes. Cap. xviij.

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flozishing, and moſt prosperous common wealth in all thinges: And then afterward, how that the malicious, & peruerſe affections of ſome (a very few perſons) enuying the great felicity, wherin by the goodnes of God your ſaide moſt noble father and mother, and all their good Subiectes liued and continued in, many yeres, did foz their owne ſinguler glozy, and bayne reputation conceyue ſundzie ſubtill, and diſloyall practiſes, foz the interruption and breache of the ſaide moſte lawfull and godly concozde. And trauayling to put the ſame in vre, deuiſed fyzſt to inſinuate a ſcruple into the king your fathers conſcience, of an vnlawfull mariage betwene him, and his moſt lawful wife the Quene, your highnes mother, pretending foz the grounde therof, that the ſame was agaynſt the wozde of God. And there vpon ceaſed not to perſwade continually vnto the ſaide king your father, that he coulde not without daunger of the loſſe of his ſoule continue with his ſaide moſt lawfull wife, but muſt be ſeperated, and diuozſed from her. And to this intent cauſed the ſeales, aſwel of certaine vniuerſities in Italy and Fraunce to be gotten (as it were foz a teſtimonie) by the cozruption with money of a fewe light perſons, ſcollers of the ſame vniuerſities, as alſo the ſeales of the vniuerſities of this realme to be obtayned by great trauayle, ſiniſter wozking, ſecret threatninges, and entreatings of ſome men of aucthozitie, ſpecially ſent at that time thither foz the ſame purpoſes. And how that finally Thomas Cranmer then newly made Archbiſhop of Cantozbury, moſt vngodly, and againſt all lawes, equitie, and conſcience, prozſecuting the ſayde wicked deuiſe of diuozſe, and ſeperation of the ſaid king your father, & Quene your mother, called befoze him (ex officio) the hearing of the ſaid matter of mariage, and taking his foundatiō partly vpon his owne vnaduiſed iudgement of the ſcripture, ioyning therwith the pretended teſtimonies of the ſaid vniuerſities, and partly vpon bare and moſt vntrue coniectures, gathered and admitted by him vpon matters of no ſtrength oz effect, but only by ſuppoſel, and without admitting oz hearing any thing that could be ſaide by the Quene your mother, oz by any other on her behalfe, in thabſence of the ſaide late Quene your mother, proceded, pronounced, deſerned, declared, and gaue ſentence the ſame moſt lawfull, and vndoubted matrimonie, to be naught, and to be contracted againſt Gods lawe, & of no value, but lacking the ſtrength of the lawe: and the ſaid moſt noble king your father, and the ſaid noble Quene your mother, ſo maried together, did ſeperate, and deuozſe and the ſame your moſt noble father king Henry theight, and the ſayd noble Quene your mother, from the bandes of the ſame moſt lawfull matrimonie, did pronounce and declare, by the ſame his vnlawful ſentence, to be free diſcharged, and ſet at libertie. Whiche ſentence, and iudgement ſo geuen by vnlawfull, and cozrupt meanes, and wayes, by the ſaide Archbiſhop of Cantozbury, was afterwardes vpon certayne affections

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An Acte for the repeale of certaine Statutes, made in the *time of the raigne of king Edwarde the sixt.*

¶The.ij.Chapter.

FOrasmuche as by diuers and seuerall Actes hereafter mencioned, aswell the deuine seruice, and good administration of the Sacramentes, as diuerse other matters of religion, (whiche we and our forefathers founde in this Churche of Englande to vs left, by the auctoritie of the Catholike church) be partly altered, and in some parte taken from vs, and in place thereof newe thinges imagined, and set forth by the sayde Actes, suche as a fewe of singularitie haue of them selues deuised. Whereof hath ensued amongest vs in very shorte time numbers of diuerse and straunge opinions, and deuersities of sectes, and thereby growen great vnquietnes, and muche discorde, to the great disturbaunce of the cōmon welth of this realme, and in very shorte time like to growe to extreame perill and vtter confusion of the same, onles some remedy be in that behalfe prouided. Which thing al true, louing and obedient subiectes, ought, and are bounden to forsee and prouide to thuttermoost of their power.

In consideration wherof, be it enacted and established by the Quenes highnes, the Lordes spiritual and temporal, and the commons in this same presente parliamente assembled, and by thauctoritie of the same, that an Act made in the parliamente, begonne at Westminster the fourth day of Nouember, in the first yeare of the raigne of the late king Edwarde the sixt, and from thence continued to the.xxiiii.daye of December then next ensuing, that is to say, in the first session of the same parliament, intituled, an Acte against suche persons as shoulde vnreuerently speake against the Sacrament of the bodie and bloude of Christ, cōmonly called the Sacrament of the aulter, and for the receauing thereof in both kindes. And also one other Acte in the same session, whiche is intituled, an Acte for the election of Bishops, and what seales and stiles they and other spiritual persons exercising iurisdiction Ecclesiasticall shoulde vse. And also one other Acte made in one other session of the sayd parliament, holden vpon prorogation at Westminster, the fourth daye of Nouember, in the second yeare of the reigne of the sayde late king Edward the sixte, and there continued and kepte to the.xiiii.daye of Marche in the third yeare of the sayde late kinges reigne, intituled, an Acte for the vniformitie of seruice, and administration of the Sacramentes, throughout the realme. And also one other Acte made in the session last before mentioned, whiche is intituled, an Acte to take away all positiue lawes, made against the mariages of preestes. And also one other Acte, made in one other session of

your maiestie beareth to the common wealth of this your realme, and for the good peace, vnitie, and rest of vs your most bounden subiectes, and our posteritie, that it may be enacted by your highnes, with the consent of the lordes spiritual and temporal, and the commons in this present parliament assembled.

And be it enacted by thauctoritie of this present Parliament, that al, and euery decree, sentence, and iudgement of diuorse, and seperation betweene the saide king your father, and the saide late Queene your mother, and all the processe commenced, followed, geuen, made, or pronulged by the saide Thomas Cranmer, then Archbishop of Cantorbury, or by any other person or persons, whatsoeuer, wherby the same most iust, pure, and lawfull mariage, betweene the saide late king your father, and the saide late quene your mother, was, or is pronounced, or in any wise declared to be vnlawfull, or vniuste, or agaynst the lawe of God, be and shalbe from the beginning, and from henceforth of no force, validitie, or effect, but be vtterly naught, voyde, frustrate, and adnichilate, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, as yf the same had neuer bene geuen or pronounced.

And be it also enacted by thauctoritie aforesaide, that alwell the sayd Act of Parliament, intituled, an Act declaring the establishment of the succession of the kings most royal maiestie of thimperial crowne of this Realme, made in the. xxv. yere of the reigne of the king your father, be repealed, and be voyde, and of none effect, as also all and euery suche clauses, articles, braunches, and matters conteyned and expressed in the foresaide acte of Parliament, made in the saide. xxviii. yere of the reigne of the saide late king your father, or in any other acte or actes of Parliament, as wherby your highnes is named or declared to be illegitimate, or the saide mariage betwene the saide king your father, and the said Quene your mother, is declared to be against the worde of God, or by any meanes vnlawfull, shalbe, and be repealed, and be voyde, and of no force, nor effect, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, as yf the same sentence, or actes of parliament, had neuer bene had ne made. And that the saide mariage had and solemnised betwene your said most noble father king Henry, and your saide most noble mother Quene Katherin, shalbe diffinitiuely, clerely and absolutely, declared, demed, and adiudged to be, and stand with Gods lawe, and his most holy word, and to be accepted, reputed, and taken of good effect and validitie, to all intentes and purposes.

An Acte agaynſt offendours of Preachers, and *other Miniſters in the Church.*

¶ The.iii. Chapter.

FOrasmuche as it is mooſt neceſſary in euery Chriſtian common welth, to prouide that tranquilitie and peace may be preſerued and continued amonges the people, and ſpecially in holy Church, in the time of diuine ſeruice, and adminiſtration of the ſacramentes, and ſacramentalles, as before this time it hath bene accuſtomed in holy Churche within this realme, and that all thinges being contrary therunto, or that are, or may be in diſturbaunce thereof, may by foreſight be eſchewed and auoyded, and remedy therefore in due time prouided, aſwel for the preſeruation of the Queenes highneſſe peace, as for an vniuerſal quietnes, and order to be vſed within this realme.

Be it therefore enacted by the Queene our Soueraigne Lady, the Lordes Spirituall and Temporall, and Commons in this preſent Parliament aſſembled, and by the aucthoritie of the ſame, that yf any perſon or perſons, of their owne power and aucthoritie, at any time or times, after the twentie daye of December next comming, do, or ſhall willingly, and of purpoſe, by open and ouert worde, facte, acte, or dede, maliciouſly, or contemptuouſlye, moleſt, lette, diſturbe, vexe, or trouble, or by any other vnlawfull wayes or meanes, diſquiete, or miſvſe any preacher or preachers, that nowe is, or that at any time or times hereafter ſhalbe licenſed, allowed, or aucthoriſed to preach by the Queenes highnes, or by any Archebiſhop or Biſhop of this Realme, or by any other lawfull ordinary, or by any of the vniuerſities of Oxforde and Cambridge, or otherwiſe lawefully aucthoriſed or charged by reaſon of his or their cure, benefice, or other Spirituall promotion or charge, in any of his or their open ſermon, preaching, or collation, that he or they ſhall make, declare, preach, or pronounce in any church, chappell, churchyarde, or in any other place or places, vſed, frequented, or appoynted, or that hereafter ſhalbe vſed or appoynted to be preached in.

Or yf any perſon or perſons, after the ſaide. xx. day of December nexte comming, ſhall maliciouſly, willingly, or of purpoſe, moleſt, lette diſturbe, vexe, diſquiet, or otherwiſe trouble any perſon, vicar, pariſhe prieſt, or curate, or any lawfull prieſt, preparing, ſaying, doing, ſinging miniſtring, or celebrating the Maſſe, or other ſuch diuine ſeruice, Sacramentes, or Sacramentals, as was moſt commonly frequented and vſed in the laſt yere of the reigne of the late Soueraigne Lorde king Henry the eyght, or that at any time hereafter ſhalbe allowed, ſet forth or aucthoriſed by the Quenes Maieſtie.

the sayde Parliament, holden vpon prorogation at Westminster the fourth daye of Nouember, in the thyrd yere of the reigne of the sayde late king Edward the first, and there continued, and kept to the fifte daye of Februarye, in the fourth yere of his reigne, intituled, an Acte for thabolyshing and putting awaye of diuers bookes and ymages. And also one other Act made in the same session last before mentioned, intituled, an Act made for thordring of ỹ Eccleiastical ministers. And also one other Act made in one other session of the sayd Parliament, holden vpon prorogation at Westminster the. xriii. daye of Januarye in the fift yere of the raigne of the sayde late kinge Edward the first, and there continued and kept, till the. xv. daye of Aprill, in the sixte yeare of the reigne of the sayde late king, intituled, an Acte for the vniformitie of cõmon prayer, and the administration of the Sacramentes. And one other Acte, made in the same last session, intituled, an Act for the keping of holye dayes and fasting dayes. And one other Acte made in the session laste recited, intituled, an Act made for the declaration of a Statute made for the mariages of priestes, and for the legitimation of their children, and euerye clause, sentence, braunche, article, and articles, mentioned, expressed, or contained in the sayd Estatutes, and in euery of them, shalbe from henceforth vtterly repelled, voyde, adnitchilate, and of none effecte, to all purposes, constructions, and intentes, any thing or thinges, conteyned or specified in the sayde estatutes, or any of them to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And be it further enacted by the aucthoritie aforesayde, that all such diuine seruice and administration of Sacramentes, as wer most comenly vsed in the realme of Englande, in the laste yere of the reigne of our late Soueraigne Lord, king Henry theyght, shalbe from, and after the. xx. daye of December, in this present yere of our Lord God, a thousande, fiue hundred, fiftie and thre, vsed and frequented through the whole realme of England, and al other the Quenes Maiesties dominions. And that no other kind nor order of deuine seruice, nor administration of Sacramentes, be after the sayde twentith daye of Decẽber, vsed or ministred in any other maner, fourme, or degree within the sayde realme of Englande, or other the Quenes dominions, then was moste commonly vsed, ministred, and frequented in the sayde laste yere of the reigne of the sayde late king Henry theyght.

And be it further enacted by thaucthoritie aforesaide, that no person shalbe impeched, or molested in body or goodes, for vsing hertofore, or vntill the sayd. xx. daye of December, the deuine seruice mentioned in the sayde Actes, or any of them, nor for thusing of the olde diuine seruice and administration of Sacramentes, in suche maner and fourme, as was vsed in the church of Englande, before the making of any of the sayde Actes.

porate, where the sayd offence, or offences was so committed, made, or done, there to remayne without bayle or maynepryse, by the space of thre monethes, then next enluing, and further to the nert quarter sessions, to be holden within the said shire, citie, borow, libertie, or towne corporate, next after the ende of the sayd thre monethes, at which said quarter sessions, the sayd person or persons, so committed to the gayle as is aforesayd, vpon his or their recõciliation, and repentance in that behalfe, before the sayde iustices of peace, at the sayd sessions, shalbe deliuered, and discharged out of prison and gaile, vpon sufficient suertie of his good abearing, and behauour, to be then and there taken by the said Justices for one hole yere, then nert ensuing, as by the discretion or discretions of the saide Justices then and there being, or of the more parte of them, shalbe thought mete and cõuenient. And if the said person or persons so in gayle, as is aforesayd, will not be reconciled, and repent at the sayd quarter sessions, that then the sayde person or persons immediatly in time cõuenient, shalbe further awarded, and committed to the sayd gaile, by the said Justices, or by the more parte of them, there to remaine, without bayle or maynprise, vntil he or they so committed and awarded to gayle, as is aforesayde, shalbe reconciled, and be penitent for his or their sayd offence or offences.

And be it further enacted by the aucthoritie aforesayde, that yf any person or persons, at any time or times, after the sayd twentie daie of December, of their owne auctoritie and power, willingly and vnlawfully, do reskew any offender or offenders so apprehended taken, or arrested, as is aforesaide, or will disturbe, hinder, or lette the sayde offender or offenders, so offendinge, as is aforesaide, to be apprehended, taken, or arrested, that then euery one of the sayde reskewers or disturbours, shall suffer like imprisonment, as is aforesayde, and further shall paye, forfeyt, and lose for a fine, for euery of his or their saide offences. b.li. to the Quenes Maiestie, her heyres and successours.

And be it further enacted by thauctoritie aforesayde, that yf anye of the offenders aforesayde be not taken, apprehended, or arrested immediatly in time conuenient, as is aforesayde, but do escape, or go awaye, that then the sayde escape shalbe lawfully presented before the Justices of peace in the sayd Shire, Citie, Borowe, Libertie, or Towne corporate, at the nert quarter sessions to be holden, where the sayd escape was made and suffered, and that then thinhabitauntes of the parishe, where the sayde escape was so suffered, shall forfeyte and lose to the Quenes Maiestie, her heyres and successours, for euerye suche escape. b.li. to be leuied and taken, as other like amerciamentes and fines before this time, hath, and bene leuied and taken vpon anye village, hundred, or towne, for the escape of any murderer, or other felon, for not making pursuite vpon Hue, and crye, according to the estatute of Winchester, and the estatute made and prouided in the thirde

Or yf any person or persons, at any time or times, after the sayde twentie day of December, shall contemptuously, vnlawfully, or maliciously, or of their owne power or auctority, pul downe, deface, spoyle abuse, breake, or otherwise vnreuerently handle, or order the moste blessed, comfortable, and holy Sacrament of the body and bloud of our sauiour Jesus Christ, commonly called the Sacrament of the Aulter, being, or that shalbe in any Church, or Chappel, or in any other decent place, or the pixe or canapy, wherein the same Sacrament is, or shalbe, or vnlawfully, contemptuously, or maliciously, of their owne power and auctority pull downe, deface, spoyle, or otherwise breake any aulter or aulters, or any crucifixe, or crosse, that nowe, or hereafter shalbe in any Church, Chappel, or Churchyard. That then euery such offender and offenders in any the premisses, his or their aydour, procuror or abettor, aydours, procurers, or abbettours, immediately, and forthwith after any of the sayde Acte or Actes, or other the saide misdemeanours so committed, done or made, or any time or times after, shalbe apprehended, arrested, and taken by any Constable or Constables, Churchwarden, or Churchwardens of the saide parishe, towne or place, where the saide offence or offences shalbe so committed, made or done, or by any other officer or officers, or by any other person or persons, then beyng present, at the time of the saide offence or offences so vnlawfully committed, made, or done. Whiche person or persons so apprehended, taken, or arrested, with conuenient spede, shalbe brought and caried to any Justice of peace within the saide Shire, or within any Citie, Borowe, Libertie, or Towne corporate, wherein Justices of peace be, where the sayde offence or offences shalbe committed, done, and made, and that the sayde Justice of peace, vpon due accusation therupon had and made by the apprehendour, or apprehendours, or other person or persons of any of the saide person or persons so offending, forthwith, shall committe the sayde person or persons, so apprehended, arrested, and taken, to safekeping and custodie as by the discretion of the saide Justice shalbe thought moste mete and conuenient, and that within. vi. dayes next and immediately after the saide accusation so had and made to the saide Justice, the said Justice, with one other Justice of peace in the saide Shire, Citie Borowe, Libertie, or Towne corporate, shall diligently examine the acte or actes, offence or offences aforesaid. And if they the said two Justices of peace, shal vpon their saide examination, finde or perceaue the said person or persons so accused, guiltie of any of the saide offence, or offences, wherof he or they shalbe so accused, and that by two sufficient witnesses, or by his or their owne confession or confessions, that then, and immediately with conuenient spede, the saide two Justices shall commit and awarde the saide person or persons so accused, as is aforesaid, to the gayle, of, or for the saide shire, citie, borowe, libertie or towne corporate,

ues, stiles, auctho̅rities, and Jurisdictions, to the same vnited, annired o̅r belonging, did not only discende, remayne, and come vnto our most dread Soueraygne Ladye, the Quenes Maiestie, but also the same was then immediatly, and lawfully inuested, demed, and iudged in her highnes most royall person, by the due course of inheritaunce, and by the lawes and statutes of this realme. Neuertheless the same her highnes most lawfull possession was for a time disturbed, and disquieted, by the trayterous rebellion and vsurpation of the Ladye Jane Dudleye, wife vnto Guilfo̅rde Dudleye esquire, otherwise called the Ladye Jane Grey, and other her complices, during the time of the whiche sayde rebellion and vsurpation, diuers Estatutes, recognisaunces, Indenters, Obligations, Acquitaunces, Graunts, Patentes, Euidences, and other writinges were made and deuised, betwene, and to sundry of the subiectes of this realme, whereupon diuers questions, suites, and doubtes maye hereafter arise, growe, and ensue, to many of the Quenes highnes trew louing subiectes. For the auoyding of al which ambiguities and doubtes, whiche by reason thereof maye be stirred o̅r moued.

Be it o̅rdeyned and enacted, that all Estatutes, recognisaunces, indenters, and other writinges, whatsoeuer, knowledged, o̅r made, by, o̅r to anye person o̅r persons, bodies politike o̅r co̅rporate, beynge the Quenes subiectes, since the .vi. day of Julye laste paste, and before the firste day of Auguste, then nerte folowing, vnder the name of the reigne of anye other person, then vnder the name of our Soueraygne Ladye the Quene, shalbe as good and effectuall in the lawe, to all intentes, purposes, constructions, and meaninges, as if vppon the making thereof, the name of our Soueraygne Ladye the Quenes Maiestie with her stile appro̅priate, and vnited vnto her Maiesties imperiall crowne, had bene fully and playnly expressed, and conteyned in the same obligations, recognisaunces, indentures, estatutes, and other writinges. And that the same obligations, recognisaunces, indentures, estatutes, and other writinges, shall, and may be sewed and ministred in barre, exhibited, auerred, vsed and pleaded in the name, title, and stile of our Soueraigne Lady the Quenes Maiestie, in such and the same maner and fourme, as though the name of the same our Soueraygne Ladye the Quene, with her graces vsiall stile had bene expressed, written, and conteined in the same, the lacke of the naming o̅r mentioning of the name of our soueraygne Ladye the Quene, of her Maiesties stile, in the date o̅r time of the makinge of the sayde estatutes, recognisaunces, indentures, and other writinges, in the sayd estatutes, recognisaunces, o̅r other writinges, in any wise notwithstanding.

Prouided alwayes, that this acte, no̅r any thing therein contayned, shall not extende to make good any letters patentes, commissions,

yere of the worthie king Henry the seuenth.

And be it further enacted by thaucthoritie aforesayde, that all and singuler Justices of peace, Justices of assise, Justices of oyer and determiner, and all and singuler Maiours, Bayliffes, and Justices of peace, within any Citie, Borowe, or towne corporate, in any partes within this realme, within the limittes of their commission or commissions, shall haue full power and aucthoritie, by vertue of this Act, after the saide.xx. day of December, to enquire of all and singuler the offences and misdemeanours aforesayde, and to heare and determine the same, and to set the fines and amerciamentes of the saide offender or offenders, as is aforesaide.

Prouided alwayes, and be it further enacted by thaucthoritie aforesaide, that this Act, or any thing therin conteyned, shal not in any wise extende to abrigate, and take awaye aucthoritie, Jurisdiction, power, and punishmentes of the ecclesiasticall lawes, nowe standing, and remayning in their force, of, or for the punishement of any the offences and misdemeanours aforesaide, but that thaucthoritie, power Jurisdictions, and punishments of the said ecclesiastical lawes, of, and for any of the offences and misdemeanours aforesayde, shall stande in full power and strength, and to be vsed and exercised in all, and in euery thinges, as though this Acte had neuer bene had and made. This present Acte, or any thing therin conteyned to the contrary hereof in any wise notwithstanding.

Prouided alwayes, and be it enacted, that whatsoeuer person offending in the premisses, shall for any of the offences afore recited, receaue punishment of the ordinarie, hauing a testimoniall therof, vnder the saide ordinaries seale, shall not for the same offence, eftsones be conuicted before the Justice: and in likewise receiuing for the sayde offences, punishment by the Justice, he shal not for the same offence eftsones receaue punishment of the Ordinarie. Any thing in this Act to the contrary, notwithstanding.

An Acte touching vvritinges, made from the. vi. day *of Iuly last past, and before the first day of August,* then next ensuinst.

¶ The.iiij. Chapter.

WHERE IT hath pleased almightie God, the syxte daye of July last past, to call out of this transitory life vnto his mercy, our late Soueraigne Lorde, kinge Edwarde the.vi.by, and immediatlye after whose decease, the imperiall crowne of this realme, with all dignities, dominions, honours, preheminences, prerogatiues,

prescription, title, or clayme, of, or for any rent, suit, seruice, or other hereditamentes, and could not proue that he or they, or his or their auncestours, or predecessours, were in actuall possession or seasen, of, and in the same manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, suites, seruices, annuities, commons, pencions, porcions, corrodies, or other hereditaments, at any time or times, within the yeres before limitted and appointed in the same Act, in maner and fourme as is aforesaid, that yf the same season were trauersed or denied by the partie plaintife, demaundaunt, or auowant, or by the partie, tenaunt, or defendaunt, that then, & after such triall therin had, al and euery such person, and persons, and their heyres, shoulde from thencefoorth be vtterly barred for euer, of all, and euery the said writs, actions, auowries, cognisaunce, prescription, title and clayme after that to be sued, had, or made, of, and for the same manours, landes, tenementes, hereditamentes, or other the premisses or any parte of the same, for the whiche the same action, writ, auowrie, cognisaunce, prescriptiō, title, or claime, that should at any time be had sued, or made. Vpon which said acte, doubt and ambiguitie, hath risen and ben moued, whether a writ of right, of aduouson, a quare impedit, iure patronatus, or assise of darrenpresentment, may be mainteyned by any person or persons, bodies politike or corporate, wheras the same person or persons, bodies politike or corporate, their auncestour, or predecessour, or he or they, by whom he or they do clayme, can not laye the estples seison, or presentment in him or their selues, or the ancestour or predecessour of them or any of them, or in him, or them, by whom he or they do clayme, within threscore yeres next before the teste of the same writ of right of aduouson, quare impedit, or assise of darrenpresentment, and iure patronatus. And also whether any person or persons, bodies politike, or corporate, hauing a seignorie by reason of any castels, honours, manours, landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes of him or thē holden by knightes seruice, may mayntaine a writ of right of warde, or a writ of rauishment of warde for any castels, honours, manours, landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, holden by knightes seruice, or for the body of any warde that he or they clayme, by reason of any such tenure by knightes seruice, wheras he or they haue not bene seased of the same seruices, within threescore yeres next before the teste of any such writtes. For the explanation, and playne declaration wherof, and in auoyding of the saide ambiguities, and doubtes.

Be it enacted and declared by the Quenes highnes, with thassent of the lordes spiritual, and temporal, and the cōmons in this present parliament assembled, and by thauctority of the same, that the said former act made in the said. xxxii. yere of the reigne of the said late king Henry, or any article, clawse, sentence, or matter therin conteyned shal not extend to any writ of right of aduouson, quare impedit, or assise of darrē presentmēt, or iure patronatus, nor to any writ of right of ward, writ of rauishment

sions, giftes, graūtes, leases, deuises, or other writinges made by the sayde lady Jane Dudleye, otherwise called the Lady Jane Graye, sithens the sayd.vi.day of July last past, of any manours, landes, tenemētes, hereditamentes, offices, fees, or other writinges, whatsoeuer nowe or then being by any wayes or means percel mēbre, or belonging to the sayd Imperiall Crowne, or to make good any other writinges whatsoeuer made by the sayd Lady Jane, sithens the saide sixte daye of July. But that they, and euery of them, shal remaine, and be vtterly voide, and of none effect, any thing aforesaide to the contrarye, notwithstandinge.

An acte for the limitation of prescription in certayne cases.

The.v.Chapter.

WHere at a parliament holden at westminster the.xxiiii. day of July, in the.xxxii.yeere of the raigne of the late king of famous memory, king Henry the eight, it was enacted that no manner of person nor persons, should from thencefoorth, sue, haue, or maintaine any writ of right, or make any prescription, title, or claime, of, to, or for any manours, landes, tenemēts, rentes, annuities, cōmons, pēsions portions corrodies, or other hereditamēts of the possessiō of his or their auncestour, or predecessour, and declare, & alledge any further seasin, or possession of his or their auncestour, or predecessour, but only of the seasin or possession of his auncestour, or predecessour, which hath ben, or then was, or shalbe seased of the said manours, landes, tenements, rentes, annuities, commons, pentions, portions, corrodies, or other hereditamentes within thre score yeres nert before the teste of the same writ, or nert before the saide prescription, title, or clayme, sued, commenced, brought, made, or had after the making of the same acte.

And where also it was further enacted by thauctoritie aforesayd, amongest other thinges, that no person, or persons should after that make any auowry or cognisaunce for any rent, suit or seruice, & allege any seasin of any rent, suit, or seruice in the same auowry or cognisaūce in the possession of his or their aūcestours, or predecessour, or predecessours, or in his owne possession, or in the possession of any other, whose estate he should after that pretend or clayme to haue aboue fiftie yeres nert before the making of the sayd auowry or cognisaunce.

And where by the same acte it was also further enacted amongest other thinges, that if any person or persons, at anye time after that, did sue any of the sayd actions or writtes, for any manours, landes, tenementes, or other hereditaments, or make any auowry, cognisaunce, prescription

ſon or perſons, at any time hereafter, do falſely forge or counterfayte the Quenes ſigne manuel, priuie ſignet, or priuy ſeale, that then euery ſuche offence ſhalbe demed and iudged highe treaſon, and thoffendours therein, their counſaylours, procurers, aydours, and abettours, being conuict, according to the lawes of this Realme, of any of the ſayde offences, ſhalbe likewiſe demed, and adiudged traytours againſt the Quene, her heyres, and ſucceſſours, and the realme, and ſhall ſuffer and haue ſuche paynes of death, forfeyture of landes, goodes, and cattels, and alſo loſe the priuiledge of all Sanctuarie, as in caſe of high treaſon it is vſed and ordeyned.

¶ An Acte touching Proclamations vpon fines.

¶ The.vij. Chapter.

WHereas vpon fines leuied with proclamations, doubts haue of late riſen, by occaſion of adiornemente of termes, in whiche, proclamations ſhoulde haue bene made according to the fourme, limitted for proclamations vpon fines, by the ſtatute made in the fourth yere of king Henry the ſeuenth, and were not by reaſon of ſuche adiornementes, had ne made according to the purpoſe of the ſame Eſtatute.

Be it therefore enacted that all fines, alwell heretofore leuied, as hereafter to be leuied, before the Juſtices of the common place, of any manours, landes, tenementes, or other hereditaments, wherupon the Proclamations hath not, or ſhall not, by reaſon of adiournement of any terme by writte, be duely made, ſhalbe of as good force, effect, and ſtrength, to all intentes, conſtructions, and purpoſes, as yf any terme heretofore ſo adiourned, or that at any time hereafter ſhalbe ſo adiourned, had bene holden and kept from the beginning to thende thereof, not adiourned, and proclamations therein made, according to the fourme and effect of the ſaide Eſtatute.

Prouided alwayes, that this Acte ſhall not in any wiſe extende to any fine heretofore leuied of any manours, landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes nowe in ſuite, demaunde, or variaunce in any of the Quenes courtes, or whereof any Charters, euidences, or munimentes concerning the ſame, be nowe in demaund in the Quenes high court of Chauncery, nor to any fine or fines heretofore leuied, of any manours landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, whiche before the firſt day of this preſent Parliament haue bene recouered, gotten, or obteyned by reaſon of any iudgement, entre, decree, arbitrement, or other lawefull meanes, contrary to the purport, entent, or effect of any ſuche fine or fines therof, heretofore leuied.

rauiſhment of warde,for the wardſhip of the body,or for the wardſhip of any caſtels,honours,manours,landes,tenements,or hereditamentes,holden by knightes ſeruice,nor to the leyſer of the wardeſhip of the body of any warde or wardes,or to the leyſer or wardeſhip of any caſtels,honours,manours,landes,tenementes,or hereditaments,holden by knightes ſeruice,but that al,and euery perſon,and perſons,bodies politike,and corporate,their heires,and ſucceſſours,theires and ſucceſſours of euery of them ſhall and may haue,mayntayne,and purſue al and ſinguler the ſaid writtes of right,of aduouſon, quare impedit, aſſiſe of darren preſentment,iure patronatus, writtes of right of warde, rauiſhement of warde,and alſo ſeaſe the wardeſhip both of the body, and of the caſtels,honours,manours,landes,tenementes,& hereditamentes,holden by knightes ſeruice,in like maner and fourme,to al intentes,conſtructions,and purpoſes, as they or any of them ſhoulde or might haue done,made,or purſued,before the making of the ſaid Acte made in the ſaide. xxxii. yere,as though the ſame Act had neuer bene had or made: any thing in the ſaide former Acte to the contrary notwithſtanding.

An Act agaynſt counterfayting of ſtraunge Coynes being curraunt within this realme,or of the Quenes highneſſe Signe manuell,Signet,or priuie Seale.

¶The.vj.Chapter.

FOrasmuch as by the lawes of this realme,ſmal and no due and condigne puniſhment is at this preſent time prouided,for ſuche euill diſpoſed perſons,as ſhall counterfeyte,or forge ſuch kinde of golde or ſiluer,of other realmes,as is not the proper coyne of this realme,and yet permitted and ſuffered by the Queene our Soueraigne Ladies conſent,and heretofore hath ben permitted and ſuffred, by the conſent of her moſt noble progenitors,to be currant in payment within this her realme,nor for ſuche perſons, as ſhal counterfeite the Quenes highnes ſigne manuel, her priuie ſignet, or priuie ſeale. By reaſon wherof,diuers euil diſpoſed perſons are encouraged,and boldened dayly to perpetrate and commit the ſaide ſeuerall offences.

For remedie whereof, be it enacted by oure ſayde Soueraigne Ladie the Quene, the Lordes ſpirituall and temporall, and the commons in this preſent Parliament aſſembled, and by thaucthoritie of the ſame, that yf any perſon or perſons,hereafter falſely forge & counterfayte any ſuche kinde of coyne of golde, or ſiluer, as is not the proper coine of this realme,and is,or ſhalbe curraunt within this realme by the conſent of the Quene,her heyres or ſucceſſours. Or yf any perſon

WHere as in the Parliament holden at London the.xv. daye of Apryll, in the. xiiii. yere of the reygne of our late Soueraigne Lorde, King Henry theyght, and from thence adiorned to Westminster, the laste daye of July, in the. xv. yere of the reigne of the same king, and there holden. It was enacted, that a certayne graunt, by letters patentes, of incorporation made and graunted by our saide late king, to the phisitions of London, and al clauses and articles, conteyned in the same graunt, should be approued, graunted, ratified, and confirmed by the same Parliament.

For the consideration thereof, be it enacted by auctho*r*itie of this p*re*sent parliament, that the said Statute or Acte of parliament, with euery article, and clause therin conteyned, shal from henceforth stand, and continue still, in full strength, force, and effect. Any Acte, Statute, lawe, custome, or any other thing, made, had, or vsed, to the contrary in any wise, notwithstanding.

And for the better reformation of diuerse enormities, happening to the common welth, by the euill vsing, and vndue administration of Physycke, and for thenlarginge of further articles for the better execution of the thynges, conteyned in the sayde graunte enacted.

Be it therefore nowe enacted, that whensoeuer the p*re*sident of the colledge, or comonaltie of the facultie of Physicke of Londō, for the time beyng, or suche as the sayde p*re*sident and colledge, shall yerely, according to the tenour and meaning of the saide Acte, auctho*r*ise to searche, examine, correct, and punish al offenders, and transgressours, in the sayd facultie, within the same citie and p*re*cinct, in the sayde Acte expressed, shall sende or commit any suche offender or offenders, for his or their offences or disobedience, contrary to anye article or clause, conteyned in the sayde graunt or Acte, to any warde, gayle, or prison, within the same citie and p*re*cincte (the Tower of London excepte.) That then from time to time, the wardeyne, gaylour, or keper, wardeyns, gailours, or kepers of the wardes, gailes, and p*ri*sonnes, within the citie or p*re*lincte aforesayde (excepte before excepted) shall receaue into his or their p*ri*sons, all, and euery suche person and persons, so offending, as shalbe so sente or committed to him or them, as is aforesaide, and there shall safely kepe the person or persons, so committed, in any of their p*ri*sons, at the proper costes and charges of the saide person or persons, so committed, without bayle or maineprise, vntill such time, as suche offender or offenders, of disobedience be discharged of the said imp*ri*sonment, by the said p*re*sident, or such persons as by the said colledge shalbe therunto auctorised, vpō paine, that al, & euery such wardein, gaylour, or keper, doing the contrary, shal lose, and forfeyte the double of suche fyne, and amerciament, as suche offender

An Acte that Shiriffes shall not be Iustices of *Peace during that office.*

¶The.viij.Chapter.

Where in one Acte of parliament, intituled, an Acte for the cõtinuaunce of actions after the death of any king, made in ỹ firſt yere of our late ſoueraygne Lord, king Edward the.vi. amongeſt other thinges, it is ordeyned, and enacted, that albeit any perſon or perſons, beyng Iuſtice of Aſſiſe, Iuſtice of gaole deliueri, or iuſtice of peace, within any of the kinges dominions, or being in any other of the kinges commiſſions, whatſoeuer, ſhall fortune to be made Duke, Archebiſhop, Marques, Earle, Viſcounte, Baron, Biſhop, Knighte, Iuſtice of the one benche, or of the other, or Seriaunte at the lawe, or Sheriffe, yet that notwithſtanding, he, and they ſhoulde remayne Iuſtice and Commiſſioner, and haue ful power, and auctoritie to execute the ſame, in like maner and fourme, as he or they might, or ought to haue done before the ſame, as in the ſayde Acte more playnly appareth. Sithens the making of the whiche Acte, diuers perſons being in the commiſſion of the peace in one countie, haue bene made Sheriffes of the ſame countie, and haue exerciſed eyther of the ſayde offices, whiche ſemeth not to be conuenient.

Wherefore be it enacted by the auctoritie of this preſent parliament, that no maner of perſon or perſons, hauing, vſing, or exercyſing the office of the Shiriffe of anye countie or counties, ſhall vſe or exerciſe the office of the Iuſtice of the peace, by force of any commiſſion, or otherwiſe in any countie or counties, where he or they ſhalbe Sheriffe, during the time only, that he or they ſhall vſe or exerciſe the ſaid office or Sheriffewyke. Any thing in the ſayde former Acte to the contrary, in any wiſe notwithſtanding. And that all and euerye Acte and Actes, to be done by any ſuche Sheriffe or Sheriffes, by auctoritie of any commiſſion of the peace, during the time aboueſayd, ſhalbe voyd, and of none effecte. The ſayd former Acte notwithſtanding.

An Acte touching thincorporation of the Phiſitions *in London.*

¶The.ix.Chapter.

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Whereas in the Session of the Parliament holden & begon at Westminster the first day of Marche, in the. vii. yere of the reigne of our late soueraigne Lord, of most famous and worthy memory, king Edwarde the first, and there continued to the dissolution of the same, being the last day of the said moneth of March, amongest other actes it was enacted by the auctho̅itie of the said parliament, that the kinges maiestie should, or might at any time, during his natural life, by his graces letters patentes, vnder his great seale of England, at his most gracious wil & plesure, alter, change vnite, transpose, dissolue, or determine, all, or any of the courtes, cōmonly called the court of thaugmentations of the reuenues of ỹ kings crown, the court of the first fruites and tenthes, the court of the kings wardes, the court of the general surueyours of the kings landes, and the court of the duchie of Lancaster, and to reduce the same courtes, or any of them into one, two, or more court or courtes, or to vnite, and annere the saide courtes, or any two or more of them together, or to any other his maiesties courtes of recorde, or to erect any other new court or courtes, as to his highnes should haue bene thought moste conuenient, and best, for the better, surer, and more speedy answering of his yerely reuenues, casualties, or profites, answerable in the saide courtes, or in any of them. And that all and singuler suche alterations, chaunginges, vnitinges, annexinges, transpolinges, dissoluinges, or determinations of the saide courtes, or of any of them so by his highnesse to be altered, chaunged, vnited, annexed, transposed, dissolued, or determined, or otherwise so to haue bene erected by the saide king, concerning order for the true payment of his reuenues, rentes, issues, casualties, and profits, as should be set forth, and declared in any suche his letters patentes, or writinges vnder his great Seale of Englande, by his highnes to be made, set forth, and declared, should haue bene of suche like, and of the same force, and strength, to al intentes, constructiōs, and purposes, as though the same were, or should haue bene set forth, or declared by the auctho̅itie of parliament, the erection of the saide seueral courtes, or any other thing had or made, before the making of the saide acte, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding, as by the saide acte, more playnely it doth, and may appeare. Sithens the making of whiche acte, it hath pleased almightie God to take vnto his mercy, our said late soueraigne Lorde king Edwarde the first, before any alteration, vniting, transposing, dissoluing, or determining of any of the said courtes, by his letters patentes, according to the tenour of the saide acte. In consideration wherof, and to thintent that the quenes highnes may at al times hereafter, during her highnes life (which almighty God long preserue) alter chaunge, vnite, transpose, dissolue, determine, or reduce the same courtes, or any of them, into one, two, or more courts at her highnes freewil and pleasure: be it therfore enacted by thauctho̅itie of this present par-

and offenders, or disobedientes, shalbe assessed to paye, by suche as the saide president and colledge shall auctho*r*ise, as afo*r*esaide, so that the same fyne and amerciament, be not at any one time aboue the summe of twentie poundes. The moytie therof to be employed to thuse of our Soueraigne Lady the Queene, her heyres, and successours, thother moytie vnto the sayd president and colledge. All whiche fo*r*feytures to be recouered by action of debt, bill, blaynt, or info*r*mation in any of the Quenes, her heyres, and successours, courtes of reco*r*de, agaynst any such wardeyn, gayler, or keper, so offending. In which suite no essoine, wager of lawe, nor p*r*otection shalbe allowed, ne admitted for the defendaunt.

And further be it enacted by thauctho*r*itie afo*r*esayde, for the better execution of the search, and viewe of poticarie wares, drugges, and compositions, according to the tenour of a statute, made in the two and thirtie yere of the reygne of the sayde late kinge Henry theyght, that it shalbe lawfull for the wardeyns of the Grocers, or one of them, to go with the sayde Phisitions in their viewe, and search, that yf the sayd wardeyn or wardeyns, do refuse, or delay his, or their comming thervnto, forthwith and immediately, when the saide president, or foure of his colledge elect, as afo*r*esaide, do call vpon him or them, that then the said Phisitions, may, and shal execute that serch, and viewe, and the due punishment of the Poticaries, for any their euill, and fawtie stuffe, according to the statute last before mentioned, without thassistaunce of any of the saide wardeyns. Any clause in the afo*r*enamed statute, to the contrary hereof notwithstanding. And euerye suche person or persons, as will, or shall resist suche search, shall forfeyte for euery suche resistaunce tenne poundes. The same penaltie to be recouered in fourme afo*r*esaid, without any of the delayes aforesaid to be had in suite thereof.

And further be it enacted, that all Justices, Maiours, Shirifes, Bayliffes, Constables, and other ministers and officers, within the citie and p*r*ecincts aboue witten, vpon request to them made, shal helpe ayde, and assiste the p*r*esident of the sayde colledge, and all persons by them (from time to time) auctho*r*ised, for the due execution of the said actes or statutes, vpon payne, for not geuing of suche ayde, helpe, and assistaunce, to runne in contempt of the Quenes Maiestie, her heyres and successours.

An Acte for th evniting, dissoluing, or nevve erecting of Courtes.

The.x. Chapter.

Where

courtes shalbe by her highnes vnited to heare, or determine any plee, matter, or cause, but only where her highnes is only the mere and sole partie agaynst any of her subiectes, of, for, or concerning the spedy answering, leuying, or payment of her saide maiesties rentes, reuenues, issues, casualties, profites, and debtes, being within the suruey of any the saide courtes. ¶ Prouided alwayes, that yf her highnes hereafter shall annere any of the saide courtes vnto her court of Therchequer, that then al thyngs within the suruey of the said court so annered, shalbe ordred in like maner, to all intentes, as the said court of therchequer, is, or ought to be, by the common lawes, and statutes of this realme, sauing to all, and euery person and persons, bodies politique, and corporate, and to euery of them, suche offices of stewardships, offices of masterships of any game, or games, kepers of forestes, chases, parkes, houses, and castels, and the profites thervnto belonging, and al rentes, annuities, and fees, as they, or any of them haue, or ought to haue, yf this Act had neuer bene had, ne made.

Prouided alwayes, and be it enacted by thaucthoritie aforesaide, that this Act, nor any thing therin conteined, shal in any wise extend, or be construed, to take away, extinct, or determine from any person, or persons, their heyres, successours, or assignes, or from any of them, any fees, annuities, pentions, stipendes, or annuell paymentes, of any summes of money, which they or any of them of right might, or ought lawfully to haue by any letters patentes, or other sufficient writing, vnder the seale of the saide court of thaugmentations, made before the viii. daye of July last paste, but that all, and euery person, and persons, their heyres, successours, executoures, and assignes, and euerye of them, which of right haue, or ought to haue, or hereafter shall haue any fee, annuitie, stipende, pension, or annual payment, of any summe or summes of money vnder the said seale of the court of thaugmentations, or being lawfully allowed, and payde in the same court, shall, and may according to the tenure of the same graunt, perceaue, take, and receaue the same, and shal yerely therof be payde of the quenes treasure, her heyres, and successours, at the dayes, and times, comprised in suche letters patentes, or other writinges, in any suche court or courtes, wherevnto the same court, where the same annuities, or yerely sūmes of money was payde, shalbe so vnited and annered, or in such court or courtes, as shalbe by aucthoritie of this act of parliament newly erected, and made in the place of any of the said courtes, so being dissolued, as longe as the same court shall remayne, and haue any being, and after in suche court or courtes, as shal please the Quene newly to erect, by the handes of thofficers of the same court, and for default therof, in any of the quenes courts, wherin sufficient reuenue shalbe to answere the same of the quenes treasure, there by the handes of thofficers of ỹ same court, in suche like maner, and fourme, as the same person, and

liament, that the quenes highnes, shal or may at any time hereafter during her natural life, by her graces letters patentes, vnder her great seale of England, at her most gracious wil and plesure, alter, chaunge vnite, transpose, dissolue, or determine al, or any of the said court or courtes, and to reduce the same courtes, or any of them into one, two, or more court or courtes, or to vnite and annere the saide courtes, or any two or more of them together, or to any other of her maiesties courtes of recorde, or to erect of the same any other newe court, or courtes, as to her highnes shalbe thought most conuenient, and best, for the better, surer, and more spedie answering of her yerely reuenues, casualties, or profits nowe answerable in the saide courtes, or in any of them. And that all, and singuler such alterations, chaunginges, vnitinges, transpolinges, dissoluinges, or determinations of the saide courtes, or of any of them so to be altered, chaunged, vnited, annered, transposed, dissolued, or determined, or otherwise newly to be erected, as is aforesaide, and concerning all, and euery order for the true payment of the reuenues, rentes, issues, casualties, and profites of our saide soueraigne Lady the Quene, nowe answerable in the saide courtes, or in any of them, as shal be set forth, and declared in any such letters patentes, or writinges vnder her highnes great seale of Englande, hereafter to be made, set forth, and declared, shalbe of suche like, and of the same force and strength, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, as though the same were or should haue bene set forth, or declared by aucthoritie of Parliament, the laide seueral erections or any other thing heretofore had or made, to the contrary hereof, in any wise, notwithstanding.

Prouided alway, and be it enacted by thauctho*r*itie aforesaide, that anye thing conteyned, or to be conteyned in the saide letters patentes, hereafter to be made by the Quenes highnes that nowe is, concerning any paynes, penalties, rules, or orders, made, or to be made for the leauying of the Quenes reuenues, rentes, issues, casualties, or profites, shal not in any wise extende to charge any of the Quenes subiectes in any other maner or fourme then they or any of them, ought lawfully to haue bene charged by the lawes of this Realme, before the second day of this present session of Parliament.

Prouided also, and be it further enacted by thauctho*r*itie aforesaid, that any letters patents, hereafter to be made by the quenes highnes, or any thing or matter cõteined in this act, shal not in any wise extend to graue any power or auctho*r*itie to the chauncellour, and general surueiours of the court of thaugmentations, and reuenues of the quenes crowne, or to any other officer or officers of the same court, or of any other court or courtes hereafter to be erected by the quenes maiestie, as is aforesaid, or to any other officer or officers, to be appoynted in any of the same courtes hereafter to be erected by the quenes highnes, as is aforesaide, or to any officer or officers of any court, whervnto any of the foresaide

courtes

should from the feast of the purification of our Lady, then next following, after the making of the sayd Acte, sel, or cause to be solde within this realme of England, to any person or persons, any wollen hattes, or bonettes, or wollen hatte or cappe, made, or to be made, in any place, or places, out of this realme of Englande, in any of the parties beyond the sea, ouer, and aboue the prices limitted in the saide Acte, that is to saye, that no such cappe or bonette, should be solde aboue the summe of ii.s. sterling. And that no suche hatte should be solde aboue the summe of x.s. And that no suche single crowned cappe, nor single nightcappe should be solde aboue the summe of. vi.d. vpon payne to forfeyte for euerye suche bonette, cappe, or hatte, that at anye time after the sayd feast should be solde ouer the price aboue saide, contrary to the tenour of the saide Acte, xl.s. sterling, as by the saide Acte more at large doth appeare.

Since the making of which Act, for lacke and want of the due execution of the same, great number and plentie of the saide bonettes, hattes, and cappes, haue bene, and yet be solde within this Realme, at great and vnreasonable prices, much ouer and aboue the prices limited and appointed by the sayd Act, not onely to the great and manifest deceipt of the commons of this Realme, but also to the great impouerishment of the subiectes of the same.

Wherfore be it enacted and established by the Quenes highnes, by the assent of the lordes Spiritual and Temporal, and the commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by thaucthoritie of the same, that the saide Acte made in the said one and twentith yere, and euery thing, article, clause, mater, and prouiso therin mentioned, shal stand in full strength, force, and effect.

And for the better, and more perfect, due, and iuste execution of the sayde Acte, hereafter to be had, according to the true meaning and intent of the makers therof, be it now further by thauctoritie aforesaid prouided, established, and enacted, that yf any suche bonettes, cappes, or hattes, fortune hereafter to be brought from any the parties of beyond the sea, into any place or places within this Realme, or any the Quenes dominions, after the laste day of May next comming, that then al suche bonets, cappes, and hattes, shalbe brought by the owner of them, or his seruaunt, to the customer or customers of euery Citie, Borough, Towne, place, or porte within this Realme, where such hattes or bonettes shalbe layde on lande, or discharged, there to enter into the customer or the customers bookes, the custome for them, and to pay such custome for them, as by the lawes & statutes of this realme, they or any of them haue bene, or ought heretofore to do, vpon payne of forfeyture of al such cappes and hattes, as shal so be brought in, and not presented to the customer, as is aforesaide, or the value of them.

And be it further enacted, that no person, so bringyng into this

Realme,

persons,their heyres,executours,and assignes,or any of them, should or might haue done,or bene payde in any other place or court, yf this Acte had neuer bene,or made, any thing in this Acte conteyned,or any other thing hereafter to be done by reason, cullour, or aucthoritie of this Acte, to the contrary therof,notwithstanding.

Prouided alwayes, and be it enacted by thaucthoritie aforesayde, that this acte,nor any thing therin conteyned shal in any wise extend or be construed to take away, extinct,or determine from any person or persons,their heyres,successours,or assignes,or from any of them, any fees,annuities,pentions,stipendes,or annual paymentes of any summes of money, which they or any of them, lawfully haue, or of right might,or ought lawfully to haue,by any letters patentes,or other sufficient writing,made before the.vii.day of July laste paste,but that al and euery person and persons, their heyres, successours, executours, and assignes,and euery of thē,which haue, or hereafter shal haue,any fee,annuitie,stipend,pension,or annual paiment of any summe or summes of money,payable yerely in any of the said courtes,or by the handes of any officer,or officers of any of the same courtes, shall, and may perceaue,take,and receaue the same,and shal yerely therof be paide of the quenes treasure, at the dayes and times,comprised in such letters patentes,or other writinges in any of the saide courtes, where none the same is,or ought to be payable,as longe as the saide court,or courtes,shall remaine,and haue any being,and after in such court or courtes as shal please the quene newly to erect,by the hands of the officers of the same court or courtes, or for default thereof in any of the quenes courtes, wherin sufficient reuenue shall be to answere the same of the quenes treasure,there by thandes of thofficers of the same court, or courtes in such like maner and fourme, as the same person,and persons,their heires,executours,and assignes,or any of them, should,and might haue done,and bene paide in any other place or court, yf this Acte had neuer bene had or made, any thing in this acte conteyned,or any other thing hereafter to be done by reason, collour, or aucthoritie of this acte to the contrary therof,notwithstanding.

An Acte for the sale of Hattes and Cappes, *made beyond the Sea.*

¶The.xi.Chapter.

WHerein the Parliament holden at Westminster, in the one and twentith yere of the reygne of our late Soueraigne Lorde, king Henry theyght, father vnto our soueraigne Lady the Queene. It was amongest other thinges,ordeyned,established and enacted,that no maner of person nor persons,whatsoeuer he or they were, should

officers shall not sell, nor otherwise vtter aboue one dosen of the sayde bonettes, cappes, or hattes, to any one person or persons.

An acte against vnlavvfull and rebellious assembles.

¶The.xii.Chapter.

FOrasmuch as it is most necessary in a common wealth to prouide that tranquillitie and peace maye be continued in the realme, and that all thinges, being contrary therunto, may by foresight be eschewed. Therefore it is ordeyned and enacted by the Quene oure Souereigne Ladie, with thassente of the Lordes, and commons of this present parliament assembled, and by aucthoritie of the same, that if anye persons to the number of twelue, or aboue, being assembled together at any time, after the twentith day of December next comming, shall intende, go about, practise, or put in vre with force of armes vnlawfully, & of their owne aucthoritie, to alter or chaunge any Lawes, made or established for religion, by aucthoritie of parliament, which shall stande in force after the sayd twentith daye of December, or any other lawes or statutes of this realme, or any of them: the same number of twelue, or aboue, being commaunded or required by ỹ shiriffe of the shire, or by any iustice of peace of the same shire, or by the Mayer, shiriffe, iustices of peace, or Baylifes of any citie, borough, or towne corporate, where any such assẽbles shalbe vnlawfully had or made by proclamatiõ in the Quenes name, to retire & repayre to their owne houses, habitatiõs, or places, frõ whence they came, & they or any of thẽ, notwithstanding such proclamatiõ, shal remaine, & make their abode, or continue together, by the space of one hole houre after such cõmaundement, or requeſt, made by proclamation, or after that shall willingly, in forceable and ryotous maner, attempte to do, or put in vre any the thinges aboue specified, that then, aswell euery suche abode or continuing together, as euery suche Acte or offence, that after such commaundement or requeſt by proclamation had or made, shalbe attempted to be done, practised, or put in vre by any persons, being of the number aforesayde, shalbe iudged felonye in all and singuler those persons, that so shall make their abode, or continue together, or shall attempte, or committe any suche Acte, and the offendours therein to be adiudged felons, and shall suffre onely execution of death, as in case of felonie.

And furthermore it is enacted, ordeyned, and established by aucthoritie aforesayd, that if any persons, to the sayde number of twelue, or aboue, after the sayde twentith daye of December, shall intende, go about, practise, or put in vre in maner and fourme aforesayd, to ouerthrow

Realme, or other the Quenes highnes dominions, any suche hattes or cappes, shall in any wise remoue, carye, or conueye suche hattes and cappes, or any of them, from the place, where they shall so be layde on lande, till suche time as they shalbe solde, in maner and fourme, as is hereafter expressed, vpon payne of forfeyture for euery hatte or cappe remoued or solde, contrary to the meaning of this Acte. xl.s.

And be it enacted, that the customer or customers, his or their deputie or deputies, of euery Citie, Borough, Towne, Porte, Hauen, or Creke, where suche bonettes, cappes, or hattes shalbe so brought into this realme, or other the quenes dominions, shal within two dayes after the entrie of the same cappes or hattes in the customers bokes, geue notice, and make relation of the said hattes, bonettes, or cappes, to the Maiours, Shiriffes, Bayliffes, Constables, Reues, or other the chiefe officers of the sayd Cities, Boroughes, Townes, or portes, and that vpon payne of forfeyture of their offices.

And be it further enacted, that the sayde customer or customers, or their deputie or deputies together, with the Maior, or suche other person, as the Maior shall assigne or appoynt, or with the Shiriffes, Bayliffes, Constables, Reues, or other the chiefe officer or officers of any suche place, or any of them, where suche hattes or cappes shall so be layde on lande, in the presence of the owners of them (yf they will be present, or in their absence, yf they will not) shall sell the sayde bonettes, cappes, and hattes, and euery of them, to suche person or persons as will bye them at suche price and prices, as is limitted and appointed by the sayde Acte, made in the saide. xxi. yere, and not aboue, and shall paye and deliuer the money, that the said bonettes, cappes, and hattes shalbe solde for, to the owners of suche hattes, bonets and cappes, in suche conuenient time, as the owners will receaue the same, vpon payne and forfeyture of. xx. li. for euery time that suche customer or customers, Maiours, Shiriffes, Bayliffes, or other head officers, as is aforesayde, shal be remisse, or negligent to make sale, as is aforesayde.

And be it further enacted by aucthoritie aforesaide, that no one person, by any fraude, couin, collour, or collution, shall bye, or bargayne for any more hattes or cappes, beyng made out of the realme, at one time, or of one man, then one dosen, vpon payne for euery cappe or hatte, bought contrary to the meaning of this Acte. xl.s. the one halfe of all suche forfeytures of summes of money, to be to suche as will sue for the same, by bill, playnt, or information, in any of the Quenes courtes of recordes, wherein there shall lye no essoyne, wager of lawe, or protection, and thother halfe thereof to be to the Quene her highnes, her heyres, or successours.

Prouided that the sayde customer and customers, Maiours, Shiriffes, Bayliffes, Constables, Reues, or other the head and chiefe officers

persons, by whose speaking, dede, acte, or any other the meanes aboue specified, any persons to the number of twelue, or aboue, shalbe rayled or assembled, for the doing, committing, or putting in vre any of the actes, or thinges aboue mẽtioned, shalbe adiudged for his so speaking, or doing a felone, and shal suffer execution of death, as in case of felony.

And also it is enacted by thaucthoritie aforesaide, that yf any wife, or seruaunt of any the same persons, or any other person, whatsoeuer, shall willingly, and without compultion, bring, send, deliuer, or conuey any money, harnes, artillery, weapon, meate, bread, drinke, or other victuall, to any person or persons, so beyng assembled, as is aforesaide, during suche time, as he or they shall so be assembled, or be together, as is aforesaide, that then euery wife, seruaunt, or other person, so bringing, sending, deliuering, or conueying anye money, harnes, artillerye, weapon, meate, bread, drinke, or victual, to the same persons so beyng assembled together in forceable maner, or to any of them, and not departing to their houses, or dwelling places, vpon requeste, or commaundement made vnto them, as is aforesayde, shalbe adiudged a felone, and shall suffer execution of death, as in case of felonye.

And furthermore it is ordeyned & enacted by thauctoritie aboue-said, that if any persons, aboue the numbre of two, & vnder the numbre of twelue, being assembled together at any time, after the sayde. xx. daye of December, shall intende, go about, practise, or put in vre, with force of armes vnlawfully, and of their owne auctoritie, to murder, kill, or lees any of the Quenes Maiesties subiectes, or to ouerthrowe, cut, breake, or caste downe, or digge vp the pales, hedges, diches, wall, or other cloture of any parkes, parke, or other grounde enclosed, or the banke of any fyshe ponde or poole, to thintent that the same, or anye of them, from thencefoorth should remayne open, not enclosed or voyde, or to haue common or way in the same parkes or parke, or other grounddes or ground inclosed, or in any of them, or to destroye anye manner of parkes, or parke, or fisheponde, or poole, or any warrens or warren of connies, or any douehouses, or to pul or cut downe any house, barne, mill, or to burne any stackes of corne or grayne, or alter, defalke, or abate the rentes of yerely valewe of any manours, landes, or tenementes of any the Quenes subiectes, or the price of any victual, corne or grayne, or any other thing, vtuall for the sustenaunce or apparell of men, and beyng required or commaunded by any Justice of the peace, or the Sheriffe of the Countie, or by any Mayors, Bayliffes, or Bayliffe, or other head officer of any Citie, or towne corporate, where such assemble shalbe had, by proclamation to be made in the Quenes name to retyre or returne to their habitations, places, or houses, and they so required by suche proclamation, shall not so do, but after that shall in forceable maner, in fourme aforesaide, attempt to do, or put in vre any of the things last aboue mentioned. That then euery of the same persons

throwe, cutte, breake, caste downe or digge vp the pales, hedges, ditches, or other inclosure, of any parkes, parke or other groundes or grounde inclosed, or the bankes of any fisheponde, or poole, or any conduites for water, conduit heades, or conduit pipes, hauinge course of water, to thintent that the same, or any of them, from thēceforth, shuld remayne open, not enclosed, or voide: or vnlawfully to haue common, or way in the sayde parkes or parke, or other groundes or grounde inclosed, or in any of them, or to destroy in maner and fourme aforesayd, the dere in any maner of parkes or parke, or any warrens or warren of connies, or any douehouses, or any fisshe, in any fisshe ponde or pole, or to pul, or cut down any houses, barnes, milles, or bayes, or to burne any stackes of corne, or grayne, or to abate, defalk, or diminish ȳ rentes or yerly value of any manours, landes, or tenementes, or the price of any victual, corne, or grayne, or any other thing, vtial for ȳ sustenaunce of men, & being required or commanded by any iustice of peace, or by the Shiriffe of the countie, or by the Mayer, Bayliffe, or Bayliffes, or other heade officers of any Citie or Towne corporate, where suche assemble shalbe had, by proclamation to be made in the Quenes name, to retyre or returne in peaceable maner to their habitations, places, and houses from whence they came, and they or any of them, notwithstanding suche proclamation, shall remayne, or make their abode, or continue together by the space of one whole houre after such commaundement, or requeste, made by proclamation, or after that shall in forceable maner do, or put in vre any of the thinges laste before mentioned, that then aswel euery such abode, or continuing together, as euery such act that after such cōmandement or requeste, by proclamation had or made, shalbe done, practised or put in vre, by any persons, being aboue the nūber of .xii. shalbe adiudged felony, and thoffendours therin to be adiudged felons, & shall suffer only therecution of death as in case of felony.

And also it is ordeyned and enacted by the auctoritie aboue sayd, that if any person, or persons, after the sayde .xx. day of December, vnlawfullye, and without auctoritie, by ringing of any bell, or belles, sounding of any trompet, dromme, horne, or other instrument, whatsoeuer, or by kyering of any beacon, or by malicious speaking or vttering of any wordes, or making any outcrye, or by setting vp, or casting of any billes, or bil, or writing, whatsoeuer, or by any other deede or acte, shall rayse, or cause to be rayled, or assembled any persons, to the number of twelue, or aboue, to thintēt, that the same persons, shuld do, commit, or put in vre, any of the actes, or thinges, aboue mentioned, and that the persons to the number of .xii. or aboue, so rayled and assembled, after requeste or commaundement had, or geuen, in fourme & foresaide, shall make their abode, or continue together, as is aforesaide, or vnlawfully, and in forceable maner, perpetrate, do, commit, or put in vre, any of the actes or thinges abouesayde, that then all and singuler

persons,

nesas shalbe assembled with any iustice of peace, or Shirif, or with ani Mayre, Bailife, or other head officer of any city or towne corporat, & w euery other person, hauing aucthoritie as is aforesaid, to suppresse, apprehende, & take those persons so vnlawfully assēbled, which after such proclamatiō made, shal cōtinue together, & not endeuour thē selues to retourne toward their habitatiōs or places frō whence they came, & ỹ of the said persons so vnlawfully assēbled together, or any of thē shal fortune to be killed, slaine, maimed, or hurt, in, or about ỹ suppressing or taking of thē, ỹ thē euery such iustice of peace, shirif, Maier, bailif, & other head officer, and euerí other persō, hauing aucthority, as is aforesaid, & al, & singuler persōs, by him or thē assēbled, shal be free discharged, & vnpunishable, aswel against ỹ quene, as against al & euery other person & persōs, of, for, or cōcerning ỹ killing, slaying, maiming, & hurtīg of any persō or persōs, so vnlawfully assēbled, ỹ shal fortune to be killed, slaine, maimed, or hurt, about, or by occasion of suppressing or taking of them.

And furthermore, be it enacted by thauctoritie aforesayd, that all and euery coppy holder, or customary holder, being yoman, artificer, husbandman, or labourer, and being of thage of. xviii. yeres, or more, and vnder the age of. lx. yeres, not sicke, impotent, lame, maimed, ne hauinge any other iust, or reasonable excuse, or cause to the contrary, and being required by the Shiriffe, Justice, or Justices of peace, or other, hauing aucthoritie by this acte, or by commission, or letters as is abouesayde in that behalfe, they declaring their sayde aucthoritie, or being required by the immediate Lorde, or Lordes, of whom suche coppy holdes, or customary holdes then shalbe holden, to serue the Quenes maiestie for any the causes aboue rehearsed, and refuse so to do, shall onely during the life of suche person or persons, so refusing, forfeyte, and lose to his or their Lord, or Lordes, of whom such coppy or customary holdes then shalbe immediatly holden, and should be holden, during ỹ life of such person or persons, so refusing in case he or they had not so refused al their coppy holdes, & customary holdes. And ỹ it shall be lawfull to euery suche Lorde, or Lordes, their heires, or assignes, of whom suche coppy holdes, or customary holdes shalbe immediatlye holden, and should haue bene holden, in case that suche person or persons had not so refused, by vertue of this present Acte, to enter & take into his, or their handes, or possession, al suche coppy holdes, and customary holdes, so holden of them, or any of them immediatlye, and to retaigne the same, duringe onely the life of euery suche offendoure or offendoures, in suche maner and fourme, as he or they shoulde haue had the rentes, or seruice of suche coppy holde, and customary holde, incase suche person or persons so refusing, had not refused.

And that all, and euery fermoure, beinge a yoman, husbandeman, artificer, or labourer, and beinge of the age of. xviii. yeres or more, and vnder the age of. lx. yeres, not sicke, impotent, lame, maymed

sons, being aboue the numbre of two, and vnder the number of .xii. shal suffer imprisonment of his or their bodies, by the space of one yere, without bayle or maynprise.

And also, that yf anye person or persons, at anye time after the sayde. xx. daye of December, shalbe dampnified, or hurted by the doyng, committing, or putting in vre of any vnlawfull Acte, or thing aboue mentiond, that then al and singuler persons so dampnified, and hurte, shal recouer, and haue domages with the costes of their sute susteyned in that behalfe, trebled agaynst the offendours therin.

And forasmuche as suche euill disposed persons, whiche of late time made cõmotions, and rebellion in certaine places within this realme, beyng but fewe in number, at suche time, as they did begin the same commotion, were not in short time after the beginning therof suppressed, by strength, for that the louing subiectes at that time, for feare to incurre in daunger of the lawes of this realme, durste not take vpon them so to do, a great number of euill disposed persons, did come, and ioyne them selues to the saide small number, wherby the same euil disposed persons toke vpon them suche boldnes, that they would not be reduced to obedience without muche bloudshedding, to the great daunger of the person of the prince, where yf the sayd subiectes durst haue taken vpon them to haue suppressed them at the beginning, such inconuenience, and bloudshed should not haue folowed. Therfore it is also ordeyned, and enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that yf anye persons aboue the number of two, that at any time after the saide .xx. daye of December, shalbe vnlawfully, and of their owne auctoritie, assembled together, to thintent with force, and armes to do, practise, or put in vre, any of the things aboue mentioned, þ then it shalbe lawfull to euery Justice of peace, & to euery Shirif in any county, beyng within the Quenes dominions, & to euery Maior, Baylif, and other head officer of any citie or towne corporate, for the time he shalbe in office, or any other person or persons, hauing the Queenes commission, or letters from her highnes, aswel to rayse and assemble the Quenes louing subiectes, in maner of warre, to be arrayed in suche great number as he or they then shal thinke mete or able, to thintent by violence and strength, to suppresse, apprehende, and take the said persons that so shalbe vnlawfully assembled, and that yf the said persons so vnlawfully assembled, after suche commaundement or requeste by proclamation made, shall continue together, and not endeuour them selues to returne towardes their habitations, houses, or places, from whence they came, in suche shorte time as they maye conueniently, that then it shalbe lawful to euery Justice of peace, Shirif, and also euery Maior, Baylif, and other head officer of any citie or towne corporate, & to euery other person, hauing auctoritie, as is aforesaide, after suche commaundement or requeste by proclamation made, and to suche persones

ment by the space of three monethes without baile or mainprise, vn-
les he shalbe discharged by three Justices of peace of the same Shire,
where thoffence shalbe, whereof one of the saide Justices shalbe of
Quorum.

AND it is ordeyned and enacted by thauctoritie abouesaide,
that if any person or persons, being aboue the age of .xviii. yeres, and
vnder the age of .lx. yeres, being able to serue, and not sicke, lame,
or impotent, shalbe required by any Justice of the peace, or anye
Sheriffe of any Countie where any suche assemble shalbe, or by any
Mayor, Bailiffe, or other head officer of any Citie, Borough, or Town
corporate, or by anye other, by the commaundement of anye suche
Justice of peace, Sheriffe, Mayor, Bailiffe, or other head officer,
to go with him or them, to suppresse the persons vnlawfullye assem-
bled, in maner and fourme aforesaide, that then euery person, whiche
so being able, and required, doth willingly and obstinately refuse so to
do, shall suffer imprisonment of his bodye for one yere, without bayle
or mainprise.

PROVIDED alwayes, and be it enacted by thauctoritie aboue-
saide, that if the Queenes highnes, shal by her letters patentes, make
any liuetenant in any countie or counties of this Realme, for the sup-
pressing of any commotion, rebellion, or vnlawfull assemble, that then
alwell all Justices of peace, of euery suche Countie, and the Sheriffe,
and Sheriffes of the same, as all Maiors, Bailiffes, and other
heade officers, and all inhabitauntes, and subiectes of anye Countie,
Citie, Borough, or Towne corporate, within euery such Countie, shall
vpon the declaration of the saide letters patentes, and request made,
be bounde to geue attendaunce vpon the same lieuetenaunt, to sup-
presse any commotion, rebellion, or vnlawfull assemble, vnlesse he or
they being so required, haue any reasonable excuse for his not atten-
daunce, vpon payne of imprisonment for one whole yere.

AND be it further enacted by thauctoritie aforesaide, that the
order and fourme of the proclamations that shalbe made by thauctho-
ritie of this Acte, shalbe as hereafter foloweth, or with the like or-
der and wordes in effect, that is to saye, the Justice, or other person
authorised by this Acte to make the saide Proclamation, shall make
or cause to be made an Oyes, and after that shall openlye pronounce,
or cause to be pronounced these wordes, or like in effecte. The Queene
our Soueraigne Lady, chargeth and commaundeth all persons, be-
ing assembled, immediatly to disperse them selues, and peaceablie to
departe to their habitations or to their lawful busines, vpon the pai-
nes conteyned in the Acte, lately made against vnlawfull and rebelli-
ous assembles. And God saue the Queene.

PROVIDED alwayes, and be it enacted by thauctoritie afore-
saide, that if any person or persons, doo, or shall molest, let, hinder,

med, ne hauing any other iuste reasonable excuse, or cause to the contrary, and beyng required by the Shiriffe, Justice, or Justices of the peace, or other, hauing aucthoritie by this Acte, or by commission, or letters, as is aforesaide in this behalfe, they declaring their saide aucthoritie, or beinge required by their Landelorde or Landelordes, for the time being, to whom the rentes of suche fermes shall be then rising, comming, or growing, to serue the Quenes maiestie for any the causes aboue rehearsed, and refuse so to do, shall during only the life of suche fermoure or fermoures, so refusing, forfeyte and lose to suche Landelorde, and Landelordes, as should haue had the rent of suche farmours, during the life, and liues of suche person and persons, so refusing, all their saide fermes, and that it shalbe lawfull to euery such Landlorde, and Landlordes, their heyres, and assignes, to whom the rentes of suche fermes shoulde haue bene due, during the life of suche person or persons, so refusing, in case suche person or persons had not so refused, by vertue of this present Act, to enter and take into his or their handes, or possession all suche fermes, and to reteygne the same, during onely the life of euery suche offendour or offendours.

Prouided alwayes, and be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaide, that after the death, expiration, or determination of the interest, or terme of yeres, of euery suche coppy holder, customarie holder, or fermour, as so shall offende, and forfeyt any of the said coppy holdes, customary holdes, or fermes, as is aforesaide, that then all, and euery such person and persons, as should, or ought to haue had the saide coppye holdes, customary holdes, or fermes, after, or by the death, expiration, or determination of the interest, or terme of yeres of such coppy holder, customary holder, or fermour, in case suche coppy holder, customary holder, or fermour had not so offended, ne forfeyted, shall and may haue the same coppy holdes, customary holdes, and fermes, by entre, action, admission, or otherwise in like maner, fourme, and condition, and by suche wayes and meanes as they, and euery of them, shoulde, might, or ought to haue had, yf no suche forfeyture or offence had bene, had, done, or committed.

And also be it further enacted by the aucthoritie aforesayde, that yf any person or persons, whiche at any time, after the sayde. xx. daye of December, shalbe spoken vnto, moued, or stirred to make any commotion, insurrection, or vnlawful assemble, for any of the intentes aboue mentioned, and do not within. xxiiii. houres next after he or they shalbe spoken vnto, moued, or stirred, onles he haue a good and reasonable cause of excuse, declare the same to one Justice of the peace, or Shirif of the said countie, or to the Maior, Shiriffes, Bailif, or Bailiffes, or other head officers of anye citie or towne corporate, where suche speaking, motion, or stirring, shalbe had, shall suffer imprisonment

styre or procure any person or persons, to commit, or do any of the offences in this present act specified, that then euery such person, which shal so procure, styre, or moue any person or persons, so to offende, shall suffer suche payne and punishment by imprisonment, without baile or mayprise, as is before expressed in this present Acte, agaynst conseylers of suche offences.

And that yf any persons, to the number of .xl. or moe, after the saide xx. day of December, shall assemble together, in forceable maner, vnlawfully, and of their owne aucthoritie, to thintent to do, exercise, or put it vre any of the thinges aboue specified, or to do other felonous, or rebellious act or actes, and so shall continue together, by the space of thre houres after proclamation shalbe made, at, or nigh the place wher they so shalbe assembled, or in some market towne therunto nert adioyning, and after notice thereof to them geuen, that then euery person so willingly assembled in forcible maner, and so continuing together by the space of three houres after such proclamation shalbe made, and notice therof geuen, shalbe adiudged a felon, and shal suffer death, as in case of felony.

And be it further enacted by the sayde auctoritie, that no lieuetenaunt, or lieuetenauntes that shall be appoynted or made by auctoritie or colour of this Acte, or for to execute this Acte, shall in any wise make, put, or constitute vnder him or them, or in his or their place any deputie or deputies, nor shall call, conuent, or appoynt to appeare before him or them, by the onely auctoritie of lieuetenauncie, or of commission of lieuetenauncie, any person or persons, for any cause or matter, whatsoeuer, saue only for the causes and matters expressed in this present Acte, and for none other.

And that no person or persons shalbe put to anye losse, forfeyture, payne, or punishment of lyfe, lande, or goodes, as accessary to any person or persons, that shall commit any of thoffences conteyned in this present Acte, for receauing, comforting, or ayding of any suche offendour after suche acte committed or done. And that no attaynder or conuiction of any person or persons, for any offence or offences herein conteyned, shalbe any maner of corruption of bloud betwene the offender, and any of his auncestors, or suche person and persons as should haue bene heyre to suche offender, yf no suche attainder or conuiction had bene had, sauing to all and euery person and persons, body and bodies politike and corporat, and their successours, their liberties and fraunchises, in such maner and fourme as yf this Acte had neuer bene had ne made.

And be it further enacted by the sayde auctoritie, that one acte of Parliament made in the session of the Parliament, holden vpon prorogation at Westminster, the thirde day of Nouember, in the thirde yere of the reygne of kinge Edwarde the sixte, and there continued

or hurt any person or persons, that shall proclayme, or go to proclaime according to the proclamation, & order made in the statute aforesaide, wherby such proclamation shall not be made, that then all and euery suche person and persons, so molesting, letting, hindering, or hurting, and hauing knowledge of his message, shall incurre, and be in suche daunger, and suffer suche paine or paynes, and forfeytures, as the persons assembled, to whom the Proclamation shoulde haue bene made should by this Acte incurre, for not obeying the proclamation, if it had bene made, or for doing after the proclamation of any the thinges before in this Acte expressed. And that also all and euerye suche person and persons being assembled to the number aforesaide, to attempte, or do any the thinges aforesaide, to whom proclamation should or ought to haue bene made, if the same had not bene let, as is aforesaide, shall likewise in case they do afterward commit, put in vre, and do anye the thinges aforesaid, hauing any maner wayes knowledge of the let so made, or by any meanes procuring the same let, incurre, and be in like daunger, and suffer like payne or paynes and forfeytures aforesayde, in euery their degrees, as though the proclamation had bene made. Any clause, article, or sentence heretofore in this Acte included, made to the contrary, notwithstanding.

And be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaide, that this Acte, or the effect therof, shalbe openly read, published, or declared at euery quarter sessions, and at euery leete and lawe day.

Prouided alwayes, and be it enacted by thaucthoritie aforesaide, that all and euery the heyre and heyres of all and euery thoffendoure or offendours in any the cases aforesaide, and all and euery person and persons, bodies politike and corporate, their heires, successours and executours, and euery of them, other then such person and persons onely as shalbe attainted, conuicted, or outlawed, of any the forsaide offences of felonye, shal haue, holde, and enioye all suche right, title, entre, interest, leases, possession, rentes, conditions, profits, commodities and aduauntages, as they or any of them haue, or hereafter shall haue, or of right ought to haue, in, or to any honours, castels, manours, landes, tenements, woods, rents, reuersions, seruices, or hereditaments, what soeuer, in, or to any part or parcell thereof, in as large and ample maner and fourme, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, as if such attaindour had neuer bene had ne made, any thing in this acte to the contrary, in any wise notwithstanding.

Sauing to all and euery person and persons, bodyes politique and corporate, and their successours, their liberties and fraunchises, in suche maner and fourme, as if this acte hadde neuer bene had, ne made.

And be it further enacted by the aucthoritie aforesayde, that if any person or persons, after the sayde. xx. daye of December, do moue, stirre,

rrviii day of Apryll, in the.rrri yere of the reigne of our saide mooste dread soueraigne Lorde king Henry the eyght, and there continued vntill the.rrviii. day of June then next folowing. It was ordeyned and enacted by auctho̅itie of the same Parliament, that all, and singuler the saide seuerall actes aboue remembred, and euery of them, and all clauses, articles, and prouisions in them, and euery of them conteyned, should continue, and endure in their force and strength, and also to be obserued and kept, vntill the laste day of the nert Parliament, as by the same Acte amonges other thinges therein conteyned more playnly appeareth. And where also in the Parliament begon at Westminster the.xvi. day of January, in the.xrriii. yere of the reigne of our late soueraigne Lorde, and there continued vntill the first day of Apryll in the saide.rrriii. yere of our late soueraigne Lorde, there was one other Acte made, and established, concerning bying of fishe vpon the sea, as by the same Acte laste recited more playnly doth appeare. And where in the Parliament holden at Westminster in the.rrrv. yere of the reigne of our most dread soueraigne Lorde king Henry the eyght, one Acte was made for the preseruation of woodes to endure for. vii. yeres then nert folowing, and from thence vnto the ende of the nert Parliament, as by the same Acte more plainely dothe, and maye appeare. And where also at the Parliament holden at Westminster in the.rrrvii. yere of the reigne of our saide most dread soueraigne Lorde king Henry the eyght, and there continued and kept vntill the dissolution thereof, it was ordeyned and enacted, that all, and singuler the saide Actes aboue mentioned, and euery of them, except the saide Acte made for the preseruation of wods, as is afore saide, should continue, and endure in their force and strength, and also to be obserued and kept vntill the last day of the nert Parliament, as by the same Acte amonges other thinges therin conteyned more playnely appeareth. And where also at the session of the Parliament ended at Westminster the riiii. day of March, in the thirde yere of the reigne of our late soueraigne Lorde king Edwarde the. vi. one acte was made for the true currying of leather, and at the same Parliament, one other Acte was made for the true making of mault. And also one other Act was then and ther made, touching the true making of leather, which three seueral actes were made to endure to the ende of the nert Parliament, as by the same three seuerall actes more plainely appeareth.

And where also at a session of a Parliament ended at Westminster the firste daye of Febryary, in the. iiii. yere of the reigne of our saide soueraigne Lorde kinge Edwarde the. vi. one other Acte was there made concerning the repeale of a braunch of the saide Acte of Parliament before mentioned, touching and concerning the bying of tanned leather. And also one other acte was then and there made, concerning the bying of roather beastes. And also one other acte was then

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and kept to the firſt day of Febꝛuary, in the fourth yere of the reigne of the ſaide king, intituled by the name of an Acte foꝛ the punyſhment of vnlawfull aſſembles, and riſing of the kinges ſubiectes, and all and euery braunch, clauſe, ſentence, and article therein conteyned, ſhalbe from the twentith day of December nert comming, vtterly voide, and of no foꝛce, to all intentes, conſtructions, and purpoſes, and this Acte onely to be put in execution, foꝛ, and concerning thoffences mentioned in the ſaide foꝛmer Acte. This Acte to continue vnto the ende of the next Parliament.

¶An Acte for the continuaunce of certayne Statutes.

¶The. xiij. Chapter.

WHere in the Parliament begonne and holden at London the thirde daye of Nouember, in the. xxi. yere of the reigne of our mooſt dꝛead Soueraigne Loꝛde, of mooſt famouſe memoꝛie, king Henry theight, and from thence adiourned to Weſtminſter, and there holden & continued by diuers pꝛoꝛogations vnto the diſſolution therof, one Acte was made and eſtabliſhed foꝛ the reſtraynt of caꝛiage and conueying of hoꝛſes and mares out of this Realme. And alſo one other acte was there made in the ſaide Parliament foꝛ the true making of Cables, Halters, and Ropes. And alſo one other Acte was there made foꝛ the true winding of Woolles. And one other Acte was there made to reſtrayne killing of waynelinges, Bullockes, Steres, and Heyfers, being vnder the age of two yeres, whiche ſaide ſeuerall Actes were then made to endure and continue vnto the nert parliament, as by the ſame ſeuerall actes moꝛe plainely appeareth.

And where alſo in the ſame Parliament, one other Acte was made and eſtabliſhed foꝛ attayntes to be ſued foꝛ the punyſhment of periury vpon vntrue verdictes, whiche Actes laſt befoꝛe rehearſed, were then made and oꝛdeyned to continue and endure to the laſte day of the nert Parliament, as by the ſame ſeuerall Actes moꝛe playnely at large is ſhewed, and may appeare. And where alſo in the Parliament begon and holden at Weſtminſter the. viii. day of June, in the. xxviii. yere of the reigne of our ſaid mooſt dꝛead Soueraigne Loꝛde king Henry theight, and there continued and kept vntill the diſſolution therof, it was oꝛdeyned and enacted, that all and ſinguler the ſaide Actes aboue remembꝛed, and euery of them, ſhould continue and endure in their foꝛce and ſtrength, and alſo be obſerued and kept vntill the laſte day of the nert Parliament, as by the ſame Act amongs other thinges therin conteyned, moꝛe plainely appeareth.

And where alſo in the parliament begon & holden at Weſtminſter the xxviii.

our saide late soueraigne Lord, king Henry theight, there was then in that session of Parliament an Act made, and established, for making of Gaoles in diuerse shires of this realme, which Act was then made to continue, and endure for one yere, next after the ende of the same Parliament, as by the same Acte more playnely appeareth. And where in the Parliament, begonne and holden at Westminster the. viii. day of June, in the. xxviii. yere of the reigne of our said late soueraigne Lord king Henry the eight, it was enacted, that the saide Acte made in the said. xxiii. yere of the reigne of our saide late Soueraigne Lorde king Henry the eyght, and all clauses, articles, and prouisions therein conteyned, should stande, continue, and endure in his force and strength, and be obserued and kept to the last day of the next Parliament. And wherin the Parliament begon and holden at Westminster the. xxviii. day of Aprill, in the. xxxi. yere of the reigne of our saide late soueraigne Lord, king Henry theight, it was enacted, that the saide Acte, made in the saide. xxiii. yere of the reigne of our saide late soueraigne Lorde, king Henry theight, and al clauses, articles, and prouisiõs in the same conteined, should stand, continue, and endure in his force and strength, and be obserued and kept, till the last day of the nert Parliament. And where in the parliament begon at Westminster, the. xvi. day of Januarie, in the. xxxiii. yere of the reigne of our saide late soueraigne Lorde, king Henry the eight, it was enacted, that the saide Acte, made in the saide. xxiii. yere of the reigne of our said late soueraigne Lorde, king Henry theight, and al clauses, articles, and prouisions in the same conteined, should continue, and endure in his force and strength, and also be obserued and kept, vntill the last day of the nert Parliament. And where also in the parliamẽt holden at Westminster, in the. xxxvii. yere of the reigne of our saide late Soueraigne Lord, king Henry theight, it was enacted, that the saide Act made in the saide. xxiii. yere of the reigne of our saide late soueraigne Lord, king Henry the eight, and all clauses, articles, and prouisions in the same conteined, should continue and endure in his force and strength, and be obserued, and kept in all thinges, vntil the last day of the next Parliament.

And forasmuche as the said Acte for making of Gaoles, made in the said. xxiii. yere of our said late soueraigne Lord, king Henry theight, is good and beneficial for the common welth of this realme: Be it therfore enacted and ordeined by auctoritie of this present Parliament, that the same Acte for making of Gaoles, and all clauses, articles, and prouisions in the same conteyned, shall continue and endure in their force & streugth, and be obserued and kept in all thinges, vntil the ende of ten yeres nert ensuing the ende of this present Parliament.

An Acte for the reedifying of the parishe Church of saint Elens in Stanegate, within the Citie of Yorke.

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and there made touching bying and selling of butter, and cheese, whiche sayde seuerall actes were then and there made, to endure and continue vnto the ende of the next Parliament, as by the same seuerall actes more at large it doth, and may appeare. And where also at the session of a Parliament by prorogation holden at Westminster the.xxiii.day of January, in the.v.yere of our saide soueraigne Lorde king Edwarde the sixt, one act was then, and there made, touching the prouision and relief of the poore, to endure to the ende of the session of the next Parliament. And where also at the same session of parliament last before mentioned, one other act was then and there made agaynst regratours, and forestallers, to endure to the ende of the next Parliament, whiche all and singuler the sayd actes aboue mentioned together, with the saide acte concerning the preseruation of woodes, at a Parliament holden at Westminster the firste daye of Marche in the.vii.yere of the reigne of our saide Soueraigne Lorde king Edwarde the sixte, and there continued and dissolued the laste daye of the same moneth of Marche, and all clauses, articles, and prouisions in them, and euery of them conteyned, were there reuiued, and continued to stande in their force and strength, vnto the laste daye of the next Parliament. And forasmuche as all and singuler the sayde seuerall actes aboue mentioned, be good and beneficiall for the common wealth of this Realme.

Be it therfore enacted, ordeyned, and established by the Queme our soueraigne Lady, with the assent of the Lordes spiritual and temporall, and the commons of this present Parliament assembled, and by the authoritie of the same, that al, and singuler the said seuerall actes, and estatutes aboue mentioned and rehearsed, and euery of them, and all clauses, articles, and prouisions in them, and euery of them conteyned, shalbe reuiued, continued, stande, and endure in their force and strength, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, and shall be obserued and kepte in all thinges, vntill the laste daye of the next Parliament.

An Acte for the continuaunce of a Statute made *for the reparation of Gaoles.*

¶The.xiiij.Chapter.

WHere in the Parliament, begonne and holden at London, the thirde day of Nouember, in the.xxi.yere of the reigne of our late Soueraigne Lorde king Henry theight, and from thence adiorned to Westminster and there holden and continued by prorogations, vnto the xv.day of January, in the.xxiii.yere of the reigne of our

shal haue auctoritie and power by the auctoritie of this act, to clayme, aske, take, and demaunde, aswell by the order of the lawes as otherwise, all maner of tythes, oblations, Emolumentes, mansions, glebe landes, rightes, profittes, and commodities, whatsoeuer, to the sayde vicarage belonging or appertayning of the parishioners, and inhabitauntes of the saide parishe, in as ample, and as large maner, as any vicar before the suppression of the same, had, or might haue, the saide acte of Parliament, or the said vniting, or any other thing to the contrary notwithstanding.

An Acte for the confirmation of thattaindour of Iohn late Duke of Northumberland, and others.

¶ The.xvi. Chapter.

IN their most humble wise beseechen your moste royall maiestie, the lordes Spiritual and Temporal, and al other your most louing and obedient subiectes, the commons of this your most high court of Parliament assembled, that where Iohn Duke of Northumberland, Thomas Cranmer Archebishop of Cantorbury, William Marques of Northampton, Iohn Earle of Warwike, Syr Ambrose Dubley knight, Guilforde Dudley Esquire, and Iane his wife, Henry Dudley Esquire, Syr Andrewe Dudley knight, Syr Iohn Gate knight, and Syr Thomas Palmer knight, most falsely and trayterously haue committed, perpetrated, and done many detestable, and abhominable treasons, to the most feareful peril & daunger of the destruction of your most royall person, & to the vtter losse, dishersion, and destruction of this your Realme of England, yf God of his infinite goodnes had not in due time reuealed, and geuen knowledge to your highnes, their trayterouse intentes. Of and for the which said treason being manifestly and playnely proued, the saide Iohn Duke of Northumberlande, Thomas Archebishop of Cantorbury, William Marches of Northampton, Iohn Earle of Warwike, Syr Ambrose Dudley, Guilforde Dudley, Iane his wife, Henrye Dudley, Syr Andrewe Dudley, Syr Iohn Gate, and Syr Thomas Palmer haue bene lawfully, iustly, and according to the lawe of your realme conuicted, and attaynted, as by the recordes of their seuerall attayndours more playnely may appeare. For the whiche seuerall offences the sayde Duke of Northumberlande, Syr Iohn Gate, and Syr Thomas Palmer haue suffred therfore paynes of death, according to their demerites.

It maye therefore please your highnesse, of your most excellent and acustomed goodes, and for the entire loue, fauour, and hartie affection

¶The.xv.Chapter.

HERE in the Parliament begon at Westminster the fourth daye of Nouember, in the firste yere of the reigne of the late kinge of famouse memorie, Edward the sixte, an acte was made for vniting of certayne Churches within the Citie of Yorke, and the suburbes of the same. In which Acte, amongest other thinges it was enacted, that from thencefoorth, it shoulde be lawefull to the Maior, and Recorder of the same Citie, and to the Ordinarie, or his deputie, and sire Justices of peace within the said citie, to vnite, & knit together certayne parishe Churches within the saide citie and suburbes, into a fewer number, as by the same act more plainly it apeareth. Sithens the making of which acte, one parish Church called Saint Elens in Stanegate, within the saide Citie, was by the auctoritie of the same acte suppressed, defaced, and the parishe vnited and knit to an other, and because the said parishe Church of saint Elens in Stanegate, did stande in a principall place of the saide Citie, the suppression thereof, hath much defaced, and deformed the said Citie, and is a great decaye to sundrie streetes of the saide Citie, meting and ioyning at the saide Church.

In consideration wherof, be it enacted by the Quenes maiestie, the lordes Spirituall and Temporall, and the Commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by the auctoritie of the same, that it shalbe lawefull to the parishioners of the saide late parishe of saint Elens in Stanegate, and the inhabitantes, resident, and dwelling within the boundes, and limittes of the saide late parishe that nowe be, and that hereafter shalbe, to repayre, reedifie, and buylde agayne the same parishe Church of saint Elens in Stanegate, and the Church yarde of the same, and therein to haue, vse, and to perceaue all diuine seruices, Sacramentes, and Sacramentals, as shalbe lawfull, for any parishioners to haue, in, or at their parishe Churches, and to be parishioners of the same, in as ample, and as large maner, as they were at any time before the suppression of the same, any thing in the former acte, or any thing by the auctoritie thereof done, or any vniting, ordinaunce, or decree, done, or made, by the Ordinary, or by the auctoritie of the said Acte in any wise notwithstanding.

And be it further enacted that it shalbe lawefull to the Quenes highnes, her heyres, and successours, at any time after this present session of this Parliament, to present any able clerke to the vicarage in the same Church, for this present vacation, and at any times after, when, and how ofte it shal fortune to be vacaunt, & the said clerke so by her highnes, her heyres and successours, presented, and by the Ordinary institute, and lawefull inducte, possessed of the said vicarage shall

Henry Dudley, syr Andrewe Dudley, syr John Gate, and syr Thomas Palmer, and their heyres, and the heyres of euery of them, hereafter claiming the premisses, as heyre or heyres, by, or from them, or by, or from any of them, and all, and euery other person and persons, claymyng by them, or any of them, to their vses, or to the vse of any of them, or to the vse of any of their saide heyres, all such right, title, vse, possession, interest, reuertion, remaynder, entree, condition, fees, offices, rentes, annuities, commons, and all other commodities, and hereditaments, whatsoeuer they, or any of them, might, could, or ought to haue had, if this Acte had neuer bene had ne made.

Prouided alwayes, that this Acte, ne any thing therin conteyned, shall not in any wise extende, to entitle your highnes, your heyres, or successours to any honours, castels, manours, meses, landes, tenemeyntes, rentes, reuertions, seruices, liberties, fraunchises, or other hereditamentes, perteyning or belonging to the See or Bishoprieche of Canterbury, but that the successour and successours of the saide Archebishop, and euery of them, shal and may haue, holde, and enioy the same in as ample and large maner, as they might, shoulde, or ought to haue done, as if the said Archebishop had neuer bene attainted, any thing mentioned in this Act to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Prouided alwaye, that this Acte, or any thing therin conteyned, shall not extende to geue the Queenes highnes, her heyres or successours, any benefite or commoditie, of, or to any goods, cattels, or debts, that were the saide Dukes, or any of the said persons attainted, at the time of the seuerall treasons, by them done and committed, and by the or any of them, lawfully and iustly, without fraude or couin, geuen, graunted, bargayned, released, or discharged, before the day of their seuerall apprehensions. But that all and euery such person and persons, to whom any lawfull bargayne, gift, graunt, release, or discharge, hath bene made, as is afore saide, shall, and may haue, holde, and enioye the same, and be acquited and discharged thereof, in suche and like maner and forme, to all intentes and purposes, as though this Act had neuer bene had and made, any thing in the saide Acte conteyned, notwithstanding.

¶An Acte for the release of the last Subsidie of the Temporaltie.

¶The.xvii.Chapter.

WHereas the Queenes highnes, our soueraigne Lady, by her graces letters patentes, sealed with the great seale, bearing date the first day of September last past, reciting, wheras in the Parliament holden in the.vii. yere of the reigne of the excellent Prince, our late soueraigne Lorde, king Edwarde the sixte, her highnes

affection, that your Maiestie hath alwayes heretofore borne, and yet beareth to the common welth of this your Realme of Englande, and for the conceruation of your most excellent highnes, and posteritie, and of the good peace, vnitie and rest of vs your most bounden and obedient subiects, to graunt, and assent at the most humble desire, and peticion of your louing and obedient subiectes, the Lordes spirituall and temporal, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, that the sayde lawful and iust conuictions, and attayndours, of al the saide offendours, maye be approued and confirmed by thaucthoritie of this present Parliament.

And that it maye be enacted, that the sayde Duke of Northumberlande, Thomas Archebishop of Cantorbury, William Marques of Northampton, John Earle of Warwicke, syr Ambrose Dudley, Guilforde Dudley, and Jane his wife, Henry Dudley, syr Andrewe Dudley, syr John Gate, and syr Thomas Palmer, for their sayde abhominable and detestable treasons, by them, and euery of them most abhominablye and trayterouslye committed, and done agaynst your Maiestie, and this your realme, shalbe by thaucthoritie of this present Parliament conuicted and attaynted of highe treason. And that the same John Duke of Northumberland, Thomas Archebishop of Cantorburie, William Marques of Northampton, John Earle of Warwike, syr Ambrose Dudley, Guilforde Dudley, Jane his wife, Henry Dudley, syr Andrewe Dudley, syr John Gate, and syr Thomas Palmer, and euery of them, shall suffer paynes of death, and loose and forfeyte to your highnes, and to your heyres and successours, all suche their honours, castels, manours, meses, landes, tenementes, rentes, reuertions, remaynders, possessions, offices, rightes, condicions, interestes possession, and al other their hereditamentes, goodes, cattels, debtes, fermes, and all other thinges, of what names, natures, or qualities soeuer they be, which they or any of them had to their owne vse or vses, the daye of their sayde seuerall treasons or offences, by them or any of them, committed, perpetrated, or done, or at any time sithens. And that al and singuler the saide honours, castels, manours, meses, landes, tenementes, rentes, reuertions, remaynders, possessions, offices, rightes, conditions, and all other their hereditamentes, goodes, cattels, debtes, and fermes, shalbe demed, vested, and iudged to be in the actual and reall possession of your Maiestie, without any office or inquisition thereof, hereafter to be taken or founde, according to the common lawe of this your Realme.

Sauing to euery person and persons, bodies politike and corporate, and to their heyres, assignes, and successours of euery of them, other then the sayde Duke of Northumberlande, Thomas Archebishop of Cantorbury, William Marques of Northampton, John Earle of Warwike, syr Ambrose Dudley, Guilford Dudley, Jane his wife, Henry

¶ The.xviij.Chapter.

N their moſt humble wiſe, ſhewen vnto your moſt excellent maieſtie, your poore and obedient ſubiectes and commons in this your preſent Parliament aſſembled, that where aſwell your noble graundfather of worthy memorie, king Henry the.vii. the moſt victorious and mightie prince, king Henry the eight, your moſt dearelt father, and our late ſoueraigne and liege Lorde king Edward the ſixt, your moſt entirely beloued brother, as other your right, noble, and famouſe progenitours, kinges of this your Realme of Englande, time out of minde, haue had, and enioyed vnto them by aucthoritie of Parliament, for the defence of the ſame nowe your Realme, and the keping and ſafegarde of the Seas for thentercourſe of marchaundiſe, ſafely to come into, and to paſſe out of the ſame, certayne ſummes of money, named Subſidies, of all maner of goodes and marchaundiſe, comming in, or going out of the ſame your Realme.

And forasmuch as we your ſaide poore Commons, vndoubtedly, and moſt aſſuredly, do truſt, and haue ſure confidence in your maieſties good fauour and will towardes vs your ſaide poore Commons, in, and for the keping and ſure defending of the Seas, agaynſt all perſons, entending, or that ſhall entende, the diſturbaunce of vs your ſaid commons, in thentercourſe, and continuading of this your realme, to our moleſtation, inquieting, and loſſe, which at any time can not be borne, without the great exceſſe, and intollerable coſtes, charges, and expences of your maieſtie, which is not (when nede ſhall require in ſuch caſes) at any time to be lacked, but rather we your ſaide commons wiſhing, that ſuche furnyture of al thinges may be had in redines, from time to time, when neceſſitie ſhall require, for the ſpedy indelayed proviſion, and helpe, for the ſuppreſſing of ſuch inconueniences, diſturbances, and inuaſions, humbly deſire your moſt excellent maieſty, beningly, and fauourably to take, accept, and receyue theſe our poore graunts hereafter enſuing, as graunted of true heartes, and good willes, whiche we beare vnto your highnes, towardes your ſaide great coſtes, charges, and expences, which may be expended, and laide out by your maieſtie, for the cauſes aforeſaide, when nede ſhall require, as the firſt fruites of our good willes and hartes toward your highnes, although the ſame do, or hereafter ſhal nothing in effect counteruayle the ſame your great charges, nor yet we your ſaide poore Commons, able fully to gratifie your highnes by any meanes, yet neuertheleſſe, we your ſaide poore Commons, by thaduiſe and conſent of the lordes ſpiritual, and temporall, in this your preſent Parliament aſſembled, and by the aucthoritie of the ſame, to thintent aforeſaide, geue and graunt to you our ſupreme liege Lady, and Soueraigne, one Subſidie called Ton-

whether there was graunted by Act of Parliament vnto the same late king, two dismes and two fiftenes, and one subsidie of foure shillinges of the pounde, to be raised and leuied, of the manours, landes, and tenementes, and two shillinges eyght pence of the goodes and cattels of his late subiects, which grauntes were then due vnto her highnes by the said act. Her maiestie for the considerations expressed in the said letters patentes, of her mere grace, and great clemencie, for the relieff and succour of her said subiectes, did freely for her, her heyres and successours, pardon and remit vnto her said subiectes, and their heyres and executours, the saide subsidie of foure shillinges the pounde, and two shillings eyght pence the pound, graunted in the said parliament, as by the said letters patents more at large it doeth and may appeare. Which letters patentes were by her highnes commaundement published and proclaimed throughout this Realme.

Our saide soueraigne ladye the Queene vpon her further gracious respecte, and especiall loue towarde her saide subiectes, and for the auoyding of all doubtes and questions, which might rise, or be moued of the validitie and force of the saide letters patentes, set forth by proclamation, as is aforesaid, is pleased and contented, that her said gracious remission of the saide subsidies, be ratified & confirmed by authoritie of parliament. Therfore be it enacted by the assent of the lords spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by the authoritie of the same, that al and euery person and persons, bodies politique and corporate, their heires, successours, executours and administratours, being laye subiectes, which shulde or ought to haue payd any summe or sums of money, for the saide subsidie of foure shillinges the pounde, and two shillinges eyght pence the pounde, graunted in the said late parliament, or of, or for any other rate or rates of landes, goodes, cattels, or otherwise touching, or concerning the payment of any summe or summes of money, for, or by reason of the graunt of the saide Subsidie, shalbe therof clerely acquited, and discharged againste the Queenes highnes, her heyres, and successours, executours, and administratours to all respectes and purpoles, as though the saide Acte of graunt of the saide Subsidie had neuer bene had ne made.

Prouided alwayes, that this present Acte shall not extende to discharge any person or persons, bodies politike and corporate, of, or for the payment of any summe or summes of money, whiche is, ought, or shalbe due vnto her highnes, her heyres, or successours, for the two fyftenes and dismes graunted to the said late king by the saide acte. Any thing in this Acte conteyned notwithstanding.

An Acte of a Subsidie of Tonnage and Pondage, of diuerse Marchaundizes.

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of your moſt noble reigne, during your life naturall.

And further we your ſaid poore commons moſt humbly deſire your Maieſtie, that it may be enacted by your highnes, by thaduiſe and aſſent of the Lordes aforeſaide, and vs your ſaide Commons, and by the aforeſaide auctoritie of this preſent Parliament aſſembled, that the giftes and grauntes aforeſaid, ſhalbe good and effectual, according to the true meaning of the ſame.

And that it may be further enacted by thauctoritie aforeſaide, that yf any wines, goods, marchaundiſes, wolles, wolfelles, hides, & backes, of lether aforeſaid, or other thinges afore ſpecified, wherof the Subſidies aforeſaide, or any of them, is, or ſhalbe hereafter due, ſhall at any time hereafter, during the time aforeſaide, be ſhipped, or put into any bote, crayer, ſhippe, or veſſel, to that intent, to be caried into the parties of beyond the ſea, or els be brought from the parties of beyond the ſea, into any port, hauen, creke, or other place of this your realme, by way of marchaundiſe, and there laide on lande (the Subſidie aforeſaide of the premiſſes, due, or to be due, by the reaſon of this graunt, not paide) or the collector of the ſame Subſidie, or his deputie, not agreed with, for the ſame, according to the true meaning, and intent of theſe aforeſaid grauntes, and euery of them, that then frō the firſt day of Januarie next comming, and not before, al the ſaid wines, goods, marchaundiſes, wolles, wolfelles, hides, and backes, and other the premiſſes aforeſaide, and euery part and parcell thereof ſo ſhipped, or els put into any botes, crayer, or other veſſell aforeſaid, to thintent aforeſaid, or brought into this realme, and there laide on land, as is alſo aforeſaide, ſhal be, and remaine forfeyt to your highnes, during the time aforeſaide, the one moitie, or the value therof, to your highnes, and thother moitie to him, or them, that ſhall ſeaſe the ſame, or ſue for the ſame.

And that it may pleaſe your highnes, that all marchauntes, aſwell denizens, as ſtraungers, comming into this your realme, be well and honeſtly intreated and demeaned, as they were in the time of your ſaide noble progenitors, without oppreſſion to them to be done, paying the Subſidies aboueſaide.

And further, that it be enacted by thauctoritie aforeſaide, that yf any goodes, marchaundiſes, wolles, wolfelles, or lether aforeſaide, or any part therof of any marchaunt denizen, naturally borne your liege man, which ſhall paſſe out of this your ſaide realme, after the ſaid firſt day of January, during the terme of this gift and graunt, ſhal happen to be taken with enemies or pirates vpon the ſea, or periſhed by infortune in any ſhippe or ſhippes, that ſhal happen to be taken, or periſhed within the time of the ſaide graunt, wherof the ſubſidies aforeſaid, or any of them, to your highnes, due, or to be due, is, or ſhalbe in forme aforeſaide, duely payde, or agreed for, without fraude or colluſion, and ſuche loſſe or loſſes, as bene before rehearſed, be founde, and proued before

nage, that is to say, of euery tonne of wine comming, or that shall, or is commen into this your realme by way of marchaundise, the somme of iii.s. and so after the rate. And of euery tonne of sweete wine, aswell malmesy as other, that shall or is come into the same your realme, by euery, or any marchaunt Alien, aswell by the marchauntes of Haunce, and Almaine, as by any other marchaunt straunger, of what nation soeuer he be. iii.s. & so after the rate, ouer & aboue the. iii. s. afore graũted. And of euery awne of renishe wine comming, or that shall, or is come into this your realme, by way of marchaundise, by euery or any marchaũt, denizen or alien, of what nation soeuer he be, twelue pence. And also one other Subsidie called Pondage, that is to say, of all maner of goodes, and marchaundises of euery marchaunt denizen, & alien, whatsoeuer he be, carryed, and to be carried out of this your saide Realme, or brought, or to be brought into the same by way of marchaũdise, of the value of euery twentie shillinges of the same goodes, and marchaundises. xii.d. and so after the rate, and of euery twentie shillinges value of Tinne and Pewter vessell, carried out of this your Realme, by any, and euery marchaunt Alien, twelue pence, ouer and aboue the twelue pence aforesaide.

Except and alwaies foreprised out of this graunt of Subsidie of Pondage, all maner of wollen cloth, made or wrought, or that shalbe made and wrought within this your realme of England. And by euery or any marchaunt denizen, and not borne alien, caried, or to be caried out of this your saide Realme. And all maner of wolle, wollefelles, and hides, and backes of leather also caried, or to be caried out of this your realme. And al wines, and al maner of fresh fishe, and bestial comming, or that is, or shall come into the same your Realme.

And further, we your said poore commons, by thaduise, assent, & authoritie aforesaid, geue & graunt vnto you our saide supreme liege Lady & soueraigne, for the causes aforesaide, one other Subsidie, of al maner of wolle, wolfels, and lether, caried, or to be caried out of this your realme, in maner & forme folowing, that is to say, of euery marchaunt denizen, of, and for euery sack of wolle. xxriii.s. iiii.d. and for euery two hundred & forty wolfels. xxriii.s. iiii.d. and of, & for euery last of hides and backes of euery such marchaunt denizen. lxvi.s. viii.d. and also of euery marchaunt straunger, not borne your liege man, aswel those that be made denizens, as hereafter shalbe made by letters patentes, or otherwise, as all other marchauntes straungers, of, and for euery sacke of wolle. iii.li. vi.s. viii.d. and of, & for euery two hundred & forty wolfelles. iii.li. vi.s. viii.d. and also for euery last of hides and backes. iii.li. xiii.s. iiii.d. and so of all the saide wolles, wolfelles, hides, and backes, and euery of them after the rate, that so is, or shalbe caried, to haue, take, enioy, and perceaue the Subsidies aforesaid, and euery of them, and euery part and percell of them to your highnes, from the fyrst day of

fore the treasurer of England, or the chiefe Baron of your Eschequer, for the time being, by theramination of the same marchaunts, yf they be on liue, or of their executours, or administrators, yf they be dead, or two true credible persons swome, or other reasonable witnesses, & proues swome, witnessing the same marchaundises so to be lost or perished that then the same marchantes denizens, that were, or shalbe owners of the foresaide goodes, marchaundises, wolle, wolfelles, hides, or other marchaundises aforesaid, as shalbe so perished or lost, yf they be on liue, or their executors & administrators, yf they be dead, and euery of them, by force and vertue of this Acte, when them liketh, during the saide terme, shal now shippe as muche wolle, wolfelles, hides, or other marchaundise, in the same port or portes, in which the same wolle, wolfels, hides, or other goodes and marchaundises aforesaide, so lost and perished, were or shalbe shipped, without any of the Subsidies aforesaide, nowe graunted to be had or paide therfore to you, in any wise.

And that all suche profites of the premisses, so to be lost, or perished, be certified into your Chauncery, by your said treasurer, or chiefe Baron, there to remayne of recorde, and after suche certificate made, the Chauncelour of England, or the Lord keper of your great Seale, for the time being, shall make, and deliuer vnto the saide marchauntes, their executours, or administratours, or any of them, or to their attorney or attorneys in that behalfe, or any of them, as many, and suche writtes, and warrantes, to be directed aswell to the collectours of the Subsidies aforesaide, or any or euery of them for the time being, as to the Treasorer, and Barons of your Exchequer, for the time being, as shalbe requisite, and nedefull for the saide marchauntes, their executours or administratours, or their attorney or attorneys, or any of them, or the saide collectours, or any of them, to haue for the obteyning aswel of the shipping, as of allowaunce therof.

And further, that euery marchaunt denizen, that shal shippe hereafter any wolle, wolfelles, hides, or any other goodes, and marchaundises, in any Carrike, or Galley, shal pay to your maiesty, during the time aforesaide, al maner of customes, and all the Subsidies aforesaide, as any Alien borne out of this your Realme.

FINIS.

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